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Board wants

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thru trucks

Parkway

West Paris

chip trucks

this spring

By MICHAEL DANIELS

in Rumford.

begin rolling

Come spring, approximately 70

more tractor-trailers a day will be rolling through Bethel. The 22-wheelers will be hauling wood chips or bark from the Mead Cor-

poration's new chip mill in West Paris to the company's paper mill

A smaller number of trucks, haul-

ing raw material to the chip mill, will also be added to the daily traf-

Town selectmen, who are already concerned about safety at the

northern intersection of the Parkway, have responded to the upcoming increase in traffic by asking the

Maine Department of Transporta-tion to ban all thru trucks from the

Instead of using the Parkway to

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connect between Route 26 and

Committee:

worth fixing

The SAD44 School Board Mon-

day approved \$26,000 to continue a

study of the district's buildings - a

move that could possibly lead to

turning over the Ethel Bisbee

The future of the building, which

currently houses the Adult Learn-

ing Center, came up about a year

The former elementary school has

been used by Adult Education and

community groups since the early

1990s. It is in need of major repair

This past summer, the district

considered moving the superintendent's office to EB. A preliminary

study conducted by Smith/Reuter

Architects estimated it would cost

\$329,000 to make improvements

Since the study was first pre-

sented, the board's Facilities

School to the town of Bethel.

ago during budget discussions.

EBS is not

By ALISON ALOISIO

and upgrades.

for that use.

ASC to merge with hotel/resort firm

Otten: headquarters will relocate to D.C., but jobs here will remain

By MICHAEL DANIELS/A.P.

The Bethel/Newry area's brief distinction as the headquarters of the nation's largest ski resort operator will end soon.

The development, however, is not expected to cost any jobs here, according to Les Otten, chairman of the American Skiing Company. Newry-based ASC agreed Mon-

day to acquire hotel manager Mer-iStar Hotels & Resorts in an all-stock transaction valued at roughly \$185 million.

ASC plans to issue 1.88 shares for each MeriStar share and rename the combined company Doral International Inc. Its headquarters will be in Washington, D.C.

The current ASC headquarters in Newry will become a regional headquarters for Doral, Otten said, and will be responsible for manag-ing the company's northeast re-

Otten said he did not expect the reduced. "There's no plans to move appeal. in existing markets. Most anybody," he said. "Most of the ASC functions that are taking place in Bethel will continue to take place in Bethel."

He himself will continue to make his home here, he said, and to maintain an office here. He said he expects to commute to Washington twice a week.

Parties to the merger hailed it as a way to ease the seasonal fluctuations of the ski business by combining it with a segment of the hospitality industry that provides consistent cash flow and is not dependent on weather.

"This merger brings together two companies that share a similar mission, philosophy and vision for the future," said Otten. "It creates a new leader in the year-round leisure business.'

The new company, said Otten, "will be much more than the sum of its parts. We will have the opportunity to access more than 20 million visits each year. We will be the first company of its kind in the leisure business. We can expand our development expertise into new

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Declining numbers of elderly are being fed by volunteers

Twenty-five years ago, about 90 senior citizens came to the Methodist Church in Bethel for a hot meal

two or three times a week. Today, the program serves a dozen on a good day, and delivers another half dozen meals to the

homebound. What's changed?

The current meals program director, Hope Tibbetts, and two former directors all agree — the loss of public transportation and the move of many elderly to boarding homes or other care facilities are responsi-

Betty Perkins was the director 25 years ago. "We used to have 80 or 90 people come," she said. "We had exercise (before the meal) and games after. When there was a holiday, we'd celebrate with cake, ice cream and decorations, and we'd have a cake once a month to celebrate all the birthdays."

The same numbers came during much of the time Sarah Stevens served as director. She served for 18 years and retired three years ago. She recalls people took a Western Maine Transportation bus down from Upton to eat.

But the bus service was discontinued a few years ago, leaving seniors unable to get to the church unless a friend or relative drove

Add to that the trend toward the elderly living in care facilities rather than with grown children, and the numbers drop again. Now, meals are served on Tuesdays and Thursdays to between eight and 12

Tibbetts said the number has declined in just the three years she has been director. When she first took over, between 10 and 15 people ate at the church. Several of those have since passed away.

Still a need But the decline in numbers does not make the service any less important for those who still use it, or any less rewarding for the workers

and volunteers who provide it. The meals program is sponsored through the Seniors Plus agency, based in Wilton. Tibbetts coordinates the meals, which are prepared at the Telstar High School cafeteria as part of the regular school menu. When school is not in session, the meals come from Wilton.

The food is brought to the church. where it is dispensed into individ-ual portions. A half dozen meals are also packed up for delivery to homebound people.

Tibbetts is often helped by her daughter, Brenda, as well as Musa Brown, Muriel Butters and Grace Douglass.

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Here come Santa Clauses



More than 100 Santas turned out for Sunday River Ski Resort's first annual Santa Sunday. Everyone who showed up in full-dress Santa garb - and with a present to contribute to the Bethel Rotary Club's Christmas for Kids campaign — was given three days of free skiing.

Telstar alpine and snowboard preview

By ALISON ALOISIO

This season Telstar High School/Middle School will field Maine's first-ever public school snowboarding team. It's a move coach Scott Parker hopes will turn into a trend.

The Telstar snowboarders have previously competed as a club in the MAISAD (Maine Association of Independent School Athletic

Directors) private school league.
The SAD44 School Board this year approved making the club an official team. Now, Parker hopes

Candlelight Service West Bethel Union Church Friday, Dec. 22nd other high schools will participate as clubs, and eventually become teams as well.

The snowboarders compete in

three events: big air, boardercross and halfpipe. The Telstar team is made up of boarders who will compete and

those who are working toward



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competition-level, Parker said. Some of the boarders competing for the high school are eighthgraders, and they may contribute to the team's scoring.

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Committee has preliminarily concluded that, according to Supt.

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Letters

KEEP THEM ON A LEASH

Congratulations to Alison Aloisio for the good coverage attack on Lynn Mason-Courtney's guide dog. I am afraid that Bethel is loath to respond, since it is isolated from the real world persons, with challenging conditions and the increasing use of assistance animals of various forms to

My wife's guide dogs at different times have been confronted by assault. In one instance it was my own dog, which did not live long enough to see the end of the day. Though it was completely out of character for him, the fact remained that his presence severely impaired Dorrie's performance in harness.

We had a pitbull in our neighborhood for a while, after determining that his territorial zone lay within a side route we just avoided working the guide dog through the area.

In another area of Maine, Downeast, a case of assault dog attack of a seeing-eye dog occurred and the matter has not been resolved to my

Can we expect that in the future people can understand that it is not a sin to maintain a dog on a run or under leash?

The fact that my wife is alive today is testimony to the quick and immediate action of her yellow labrador guide dog — which paid more attention in traffic than the driver of the 18-wheeler humping on down State Street in Augusta.

Hugh L. Awalt Augusta

EVERYONE IS AT RISK

To the Editor:

Thank you to Alison Aloisio and The Citizen for last Thursday's article about my guide dog, Addie. I appreciate the publicity about the dangers we are exposed to by unleashed/untied dogs as we travel to the village (or anywhere, for that matter).

It is important to recognize, however, that everyone is at risk of an attack or ambush by a dog running at large or in his own yard but not tethered. Everyone is at risk regardless of age or size. Dogs' behavior can be unpredictable even if the owner is present. It's really quite simple. Respect your pet and the public by controlling your dog. Addie isn't the only one in jeopardy — it's all of us.

In closing, I would like to also say thanks for all the calls, chats on the

street and even notes Addie and I have received the past few days. That support is so heartwarming.

Lynn Mason-Courtney and partner, Addie

AS REAL AND RAW AS LIFE GETS

In the fall I joined the Family Focus Group at the Adult Learning Center as a means to stay busy, meet new people and be involved.

The birth of my daughter, however, kept me home from October to present. Jessica Coulombe, a member of the group, barraged me with phone calls full of support, encouraging me to return to the group as soon

Meanwhile, I found myself experiencing some post-partum issues that I shared with Jessica. She shared this with the group and Cyndi Mills, Headstart family advocate, called to check in and offer support as well. I felt carried by good friends during a difficult time.

I returned to the group and received a warm welcome back and wonderful gifts. I was touched beyond words at everyone's thoughtfulness. The Family Focus Group has proved to be a fulfilling experience for

me. It is a place to share lightly or dig deeply. It is a place where, in shared womanhood, we can be as real and raw as life sometimes gets.

These women are all gems to me, each with something a little different to offer; all of them beautiful bearing their sky-wide souls and real, genuine friendship. To belong to such a warm, loving group, I am blessed among women.

Tricia Chappie East Bethel

JOIN THE LIVING NATIVITY

To the Editor:

It is that time of the year in which we as a community celebrate the Christmas season in many ways — Country Christmas in Bethel, school programs, church services, caroling, business and family open houses, and the annual Living Nativity, presented on the common by the people of the community. When we moved to this community over five years ago, I was surprised and thrilled that this community presented a living nativity program, remembering the true meaning of Christmas amidst all the hustle and bustle of everything else that has become part of the celebration. How refreshing. How appropriate. What a joyful thing to gather the community for this special season of the year.

Well, it is that time of the year again. So, this is a call to all who would like to get involved in the presentation again (or for the first time) this year. It takes a lot of people to "pull it off," and we would like to include you. We need shepherds, wise men, angels, and others to fill the cast. We also need community choir members who will sing in the gazebo. If you would like to be involved, preparation will begin at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, the 17th, at the Bethel Inn. So come, don a costume, grab a shepherd's staff, put on a king's crown, or grow some angel wings and a halo (if for but a short time). We also need a crowd to watch, listen, and sing, so come and be a part of this special community expression of Christmas celebration. The presentation will begin at 5 p.m. on the com-

mon, next to the gazebo. If you have any questions, or would like to let us know of your willingness to help in advance, please call (or leave a message) at 824-2289 (Bethel Alliance Church). We'll see you on the 17th, on the common.

A special advance thank you goes to the Bethel Rotary Club for their annual involvement in the Living Nativity in the setting up and dismantling of the manger and corral, as well as to all those who share their animals with us all.

Rick Mowery

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ANOTHER SMALL FELLOWSHIP PASSES

To the Editor:

Wednesday evening, I sat in on the final gathering of the Mt. Abram Fish and Game Association. I met with them at the Methodist Church's basement. I went as a representative of SAD44 to receive a check that will fund an educational assistance award given annually to first-semester college students.

I want this letter to express my personal gratitude to the members and to extend my school district's thanks and appreciation as well. The association's gift certainly will represent tangible encouragement to individual students. That same gift also represents an encouragement to those of us who prepare those students. The association's generosity and thoughtfulness serve to remind us, the staff and administration of SAD44, that we do not work in a vacuum. We belong to a wider community effort to educate and support our kids.

I played only a small part in this gathering. I received the gift with pleasure and sat down to listen. Lindley

Wieden and Ernest Angevine and others spoke of the camaraderie and spirited fellowship this organization had built into the lives of the 10 or so members that attended this last gathering. Men and women in their late 60s, 70s and even 80s formally laid to rest an association that had, for decades, nurtured them every bit as much as they had nurtured it.

I easily recognized the emotional and social needs that this community organization has met in the lives of these white-haired men and women. These needs — a hunger for connectedness, for fellowship and camaraderie — are not peculiar to the time, long ago, when the Mt. Abram Fish and Game Association first came into being. Lindley, Ernest and their friends lay their association to rest, not their need for association. That goes on - unmet for too many of us.

Whether with reference to well-established fraternal organizations, or to volunteer fire departments or to hard-pressed ambulance services, we act as if our need to be part of an interlocking web of community organizations gets met in chat rooms or through e-mail distribution lists. Our associations seem all too often workrelated, purpose-driven engines of accomplishment, short-term confederations that scarcely outlive their latest. hurriedly typed agendas.

Scientists encourage us to look at the ecological big picture and mourn the loss of seemingly insignificant species. I think we would do well to look at our town's big picture and mourn the loss of seemingly insignificant groups like the Mt. Abram Fish and Game Association. Another small group has over stayed its welcome in the shadows of cyberspace. Another small fellowship passes unnoticed out of our busy lives. With the dissolution of groups like this, the knowledge of how to belong to one another passes without comment out of our community. Groups like this disband of necessity. We fail to appreciate their importance and meaning at our

Lenny Hoy North Norway

REMEMBERING JOHN BAYERLEIN

To the Editor:

One of the first things that John Baylerlein did when he arrived in town in the mid-1980s was to join the Bethel Historical Society. From that time on, he was active on the Long-Range and Strategic Planning Committee and chaired the Program Committee for many years. He also served as a trustee and played an instrumental role in bringing to the Society's attention the possible purchase of the former Elms property (now known as Robinson House).

As a neighbor and an abutting property owner, I had a long acquaintance with him. I often met him on his daily travels between the Bethel Inn and his house on Mason Street. Our conversations covered a wide area of concern from what was going on in the neighborhood or town to state and national issues. As many were aware, he had a strong interest in politics, so as two "political junkies" we always had much to discuss. Most often we agreed, but occasionally we parted company in our support for particular candidates.

During the recent election cycle, we were in substantial agreement on the issues and candidates. When the Electoral College became controversial following the Nov. 7 vote, he and I agreed that for a nation so complex as ours, it is important to keep the Electoral College. We believed that it should be reformed along the lines that Maine and Nebraska have adopted, basing the electoral vote on what happens in congressional districts thereby eliminating the winner-take-all provisions that most states use. This would make it increasingly unlikely that the popular vote would not reflect the electoral.

As doubt grew about just who would emerge from all the controversy, he and I had a number of discussions about the eventual winner. He was certain that Bush would emerge victorious, but I was always cautioning him not to rule Gore out, as the Vice President said he would "do anything to win." At this moment the results are still in doubt, so I will be anxious to see if he is right or I prevail as a pundit. Unfortunately, with his untimely death last week, I won't be able to cheer or jeer with him.

During the early stages of the Society's capital campaign when the late Bob Goodwin gave the Society the 1957 Plymouth that had once been owned by Muriel Park Mason as a fundraiser, John showed particular interest. Many of us were relieved when he bought the car, since it would be in the hands of a vintage car enthusiast and remain in Bethel — to say nothing of putting the capital campaign further along toward its

How pleased John was when I began my stonewall along Mason Street earlier this year. He liked stonewalls but he had a more practical concern. Once it is completed he reckoned the likelihood that he and his dog would be startled again by a hungry skunk ambling out of the bushes to cross the street would be nil. I haven't finished the wall yet, but part of the fun of working on it is gone. John won't be by to chat about the latest developments, and I will never know from him if it foiled any skunks.

Following a letter I wrote after the death of our joint neighbor, Fred McMillin, John told me he hoped that he would outlive me as he feared what I might write about him if the opportunity presented itself and I was so inclined. Well, John, I trust wherever you are, you will not be unhappy with this one. I am going to miss our conversations and your strong support for the Society. You were a credit to the neighborhood and the town. I know I will not forget you and I trust anyone who knew you will long remember your enthusiasm, positive attitude and good works.

Stan Howe Bethel

SOFTBALL FIELD THANKS

To the Editor:

On behalf of the middle school softball team, I would just like to say thank you to the following people who took a Sunday to come out and support our school and our children by donating labor, materials and equipment to improve our softball field. Dick Douglass, Jack Cross, Sue Cross, Amos Kimball, John Kimball, Mike Rosenberg and Burnie Rice all gave of their time and equipment and showed our children that there are townspeople that support them in so many ways that they might not have been aware of.

The girls cannot wait until spring to get out on the field and try it out. This group of girls loves the game of softball and as they prepare to move up to high school in a few years, I know they are going to make us all

Karen Rosenberg for the Telstar Middle School Softball Team



OFFSEASON WORKOUT--Volunteers recently made improvements to the Telstar Middle School softball field. The grass was removed from the infield and replaced with crusher dust, the backstop was repaired and a new drainage system was installed along the right side of the field. Sod was also dug up and replaced with crusher dust for a future bullpen area. John Kimball headed the work detail, with advice and labor from Mike Rosenberg and Burnie Rice. Jack and Sue Cross, Amos Kimball and Dick Douglass supplied material, equipment and labor. Another \$1,000 is needed to complete the bullpen area. Anyone interested in donating to the project may contact the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the Opinion Page of the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community.

Insofar as possible, we attempt to publish letters without alteration, but we do reserve the right to edit for

length, libel, taste and readability. When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may ver-

fy authorship). The deadline for letters to the editor is 4:30 p.m. Monday. Letters submitted after that deadline will be con-

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Back Pages

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10 years ago: Newry officials were considering hiring a consultant to investigate the impact of increased traffic on the town roads.

Bethel officials reported an increase of requests for public assistance due to job lay-offs and other

area economic problems.

Over 300 skiers enjoyed the friendly Mt. Abram Ski Slopes the previous weekend according to spokesperson Jeanne Anton.

The Mahoosuc Arts Council sponsored a "Messiah Sing" at the West Parish Congregational Church.

Sunday River Skiway reported that business was strong with reservations running 23 percent ahead of the previous year.

E4 Andrew Smith was serving with the 619th Transportation Company in Saudi Arabia.

The town of Woodstock threatened to go to court to close the Village Store if its septic system was not shut down.

Births: Bryce Wayne Walker, Maggie Lyon Hoyt.

Deaths: Wallace Ernest Saunders,

E. Louise Coolidge.
20 years ago: The steering committee for the celebration of the Bicentennial of the Last Indian Raid to be held the summer of 1981 included Alden Kennett, Ronald Snyder, Helen Morton, Arlene G. Brown, Donald Bennett, Ernest Perkins, Phyllis Roberts and E.M. Quinn.

Extensive damage to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Asher Runnels, Sunday River Road, was reported due to falling trees during a recent high wind. The storm also uprooted trees and displaced buildings at Greenwood Cabins, Locke Mills.

Tri Town Ambulance and Rescue Service was accepted by the voters of Woodstock, Greenwood and West Paris. The towns were to subsidize the ambulance service at a rate of \$5 per capita.

Births: Alexander Scott Merrill, Trevor Bradley Boyce, Heather Marie Perry, Jessica Lynn DeNormandie, Rusty Alan Seames.

Deaths: Blye Granville Jodrey,

Dorothy E. Beaupre. 30 years ago: Frank Vogt was director and Mr. and Mrs. David Salway co-chairmen of the annual

Living Nativity Scene. Aimee C. DesRoches was named as DAR Good Citizen at Gould Academy.

Al and Jane Barth and two sons were to leave in January to spend two years in Australia. Mr. Barth was to teach two years in Croydon, a suburb of Melbourne. He was Maine's participant in the International Teaching Fellowship Award Program sponsored by the government of the State of Victoria, Australia.

Leland R. Brown was named to the board of directors at Rumford Community Hospital. Births: Glenn Roger Poisson,

Stanley Moore Jr. Death: Katherine Bisbee Pea-

40 years ago: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stearns celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at their Rumford Point home.

David G. Erickson of North Waterford was advanced to supervisor of the Maine Agency of the Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Births: William Yasohachie Shimamura, Theodore William Gal-

50 years ago: Gould Academy's Huskies defeated Norway High School 31-29 and Mexico High School 37-32 for a successful week of hoop action.

Lt. Paul Daniels was reported as being wounded in action in Korea on Nov. 28.

Progress on the new elementary school building (Crescent Park) had been stalled. Needed items, which were short in the fall, had been assembled and when work resumes in the spring, no interruptions were anticipated.

Cpl. Herbert Lyon received his Combat Infantryman's Badge in Korea. The Bethel Lions Club was spon-

soring a decorated tree on the common as well as holiday lighting on Main Street.

Birth: Wayne Roland Bean. Deaths: Galen B. Curtis, Richard L. Morse.

100 years ago: The Democrats and Republicans at Gould Academy were opponents in a football game on the common. Neither party scored.

Daniel Hastings arrived in Bethel from Ubet, Mont., with 17 horses. He had sold all his sheep and cattle on his Montana ranch but had about 100 horses there.

Many Bethel stores and shops were sporting Christmas wares and decorations.

Death: Ann Lyon.

Briefly

Special Town Meetings

BETHEL/NEWRY—Special Town Meetings for both Bethel and Newry are scheduled for Monday, Dec. 18 at 7 p.m., Residents will consider approval of an interlocal solid waste and recycling agreement among the towns of Bethel, Newry and Hanover. The Bethel meeting will take place at the lecture hall at Telstar, and the Newry meeting at the Raymond C. Foster Municipal Building. Also on the Newry warrant is an article regarding \$3,300 in funding to apply for an AVCOG grant to update the town's comprehensive plan. Hanover will hold its annual Town Meeting Friday evening.

Substitute pay increased

BETHEL—The SAD44 School Board Monday approved an increase in pay rates for substitute custodians, food service workers and non-bus drivers. The custodial/food service rate was increased from \$6.50/hour to \$8/hour. The driver rate was increased from \$6.75 to \$8. Supt. Kent Rosberg said difficulty in finding spare workers had resulted in fulltime employees working overtime at a high rate of pay. Improving the pay for substitutes may attract more applicants, he said.

Personnel, bus purchase approved

BETHEL—SAD44 directors Monday approved the hiring of a new bus driver, Gary Coyne. Becky LaVallee was also approved as a volunteer alpine ski coach. Directors were told of the pending retirement of Merrill Bittner, Adult Ed guidance counselor. The board also approved the purchase of a new \$68,000 bus. The state will pay \$55,000 of the cost.

Asbestos abatement continues

BETHEL—The cafeteria at Telstar will be closed Dec. 18, 19 and 20 to complete the asbestos abatement project for that portion of the complex. Floor tiles will be removed and a new floor installed during the holiday recess. On Monday, students may pick up their breakfast in the cafeteria and take it to their homerooms/advisor check-in. On Tuesday and Wednesday serving will take place from the upstairs hall. Lunch will be served from the hall area in front of the cafeteria. Students will eat on the bleachers in half of the gym. All high school students can eat in the gym or in the classrooms. Middle school students will eat in the gym. Only cold lunches and cold a la carte will

Fire chief suspended

WEST PARIS—The West Paris fire chief was placed on suspension for 17 weeks, since Aug. 10, it was confirmed last week. Chief Craig Moore was suspended with pay. Jim Marshall, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, said he could find no reference to the action in the minutes of the board's meetings. There has been no public explanation of the circumstances involved. A town board may discuss personnel matters in executive session, but must vote on action during public session. The suspension was discovered when an inquiry was made to the Town Office regarding contacting the chief. Marshall said he could not comment on the issue because of confidentiality laws.

Trout Unlimited meeting

WEST PARIS—The Holiday Meeting of Trout Unlimited will take place Dec. 19 at The River Restaurant, beginning with a social hour at 6 p.m. Anyone interested in learning more about the organization is invited. To donate items for a raffle planned for that evening, contact Gary Bell (583-4290 or weflyfsh@megalink.net) or Linda Walthers (743-7461 or wal@megalink.net)

Honor roll students ski free

NEWRY—Sunday River Ski Resort will provide lift tickets to more than 15,000 middle and high school students who made the honor roll in their first quarter of school. The program was initiated earlier this fall, when schools were invited to participate (122 registered). Recipients of the vouchers have a choice of four weekend days in January to use the tickets.

Woman bitten by pit bull

LEWISTON-A pit bull bit a woman as she tried to pull the animal off her husky Monday in Kennedy Park. Lorraine Perite received bites to her hand and wrist. The dog sustained bites to the neck, face and legs. The pit bull was on a leash with another woman when it managed to escape and come after Perite's dog. The fight ended when a man passing by grabbed the pit bull by its collar and pulled it off. The woman with the dog at the time was not its owner. The Lewiston animal control officer said he was considering issuing a muzzle order, which would require the owner to muzzle the pit bull whenever it is off the owner's property.

Insurance straps small businesses

SOUTH PORTLAND—A survey done this year shows the number of Maine small businesses offering health insurance to employees is dropping, and is likely to keep dropping because of rising premiums. The report, compiled by the Maine Center for Economic Policy and Consumers for Affordable Health Care, shows workers are paying more of their health insurance costs, and one in five employers thinks rising costs have led some workers to forego coverage. But 81 percent of those surveyed also said health benefits were essential to attracting and retaining workers. "Health insurance has become the biggest issue for small businesses," said Joseph Ditre, executive director of Consumers for Affordable Health Care. "They're losing quality workers to bigger employers and medium-sized employers in Maine." A variety of factors is driving insurance costs higher. They include the use of expensive, modern medical tests and treatments, an aging population and the double-digit percentage increases in the costs of prescription drugs, according to Ditre. The state now has approximately 161,000 people without coverage, he said.

Airports, tourism linked

WHITEFIELD, N.H.—Airports are as important today for opening up new areas to tourists as railroads were in the past, a hotel manager told people at the recent annual meeting of the Mt. Washington Regional Airport. Melissa DeVoe, operations manager for the Mountain View House in Whitefield, said her company sees the airport as an extension of their marketing plans, and plans to target owners of small planes and corporate jets, civil aviation organizations and flying clubs. DeVoe, a former salesperson for the ski industry at Telluride and Lake Tahoe ski areas, said many ski areas in the West would not be as successful without the development of regional airports. Ben Wilcox, director of Bretton Woods/Mt. Washington Hotel ventures, agreed, saying his hotel markets in the South and in Europe. Airlines, he said, are important for bringing people to the area from outside New England.

Up With People closing down

BLOOMFIELD, Colo.—The curtain is closing for Up With People, but many cast members who toured the world to spread the group's musical message of peace and understanding remained hopeful it would someday rise from financial collapse. The nonprofit organization decided last week to shut down because of a \$7.3 million debt. It lost \$3.2 million in the fiscal year that ended in June and \$860,000 in the previous year, when it was forced to dip into its endowment. The organization, which left open the possibility of a reorganization, will lay off its 262 employees in 10 offices around the world and sell its main building north of Denver.

From the Bethel Police Log:

The fishing equipment that got away

At 11 a.m. on Dec. 11 a subject reported that while traveling on the Intervale Road the tailgate of his truck fell open, which allowed his ATV to fall out of the truck. Other items lost from the truck included fishing traps, a trap basket, a wood basket and an ice auger. When the subject returned to the scene someone had removed the rear tires from the ATV. The other items were not recovered.

Friday, Dec. 8

At 4:30 a.m. police observed a vehicle operating erratically on Route 26. The officer stopped it and smelled a strong odor of marijuana. The driver was given field sobriety tests and did not pass. He was then given an intoxilyzer test, with negative results. A State Police drug recognition expert was then called. He found the subject to be under the influence of drugs. Mitchell L. Maddocks, 37, of Locke Mills was summonsed for operating under the influence of intoxicating liquor or

Saturday, Dec. 9

At 12:59 a.m. a subject was stopped on Route 2 for erratic operation. He showed signs of intoxication and was given field sobriety tests. David K. Thomson, 42, of Yarmouth was arrested for OUI.

At 9:32 p.m. police observed a vehicle operating erratically on Bridge Street. The officer smelled the odor of liquor. He asked the driver if he had been drinking, and he said he had. Field sobriety tests were conducted, and the driver did not pass. He was then brought to the Police Department for an intoxilyzer test. Charles R. Smith, 35, of Bethel was summonsed for OUI.

Tuesday, Dec. 12

At 5:30 p.m. a caller reported the presence of a subject at a West Bethel residence. The officer learned from a probation officer that the subject was not allowed to reside there, and the he had also failed to check in with the officer when he was released from jail. At 6:10 p.m. Aldan Mason, Jr. was arrested and taken to the Oxford County Jail on a probation hold.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log. It lists all cases of adults being arrested or issued a criminal summon, but does not include all reports of other police activity. To reach the Bethel Police Department, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.

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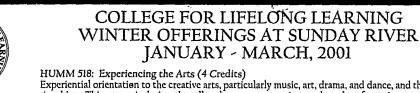
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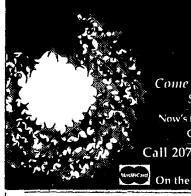
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Meals

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Meals on Wheels volunteer Kim Shannon delivers a meal to Eva Perry of Sudbury Village. (Photo by Alison Aloisio)

homes.

as people feel more or less need for

help with their meals, or as they go

in and out of the hospital or nursing

One of his stops is at Pearl McMillin's home in Bethel Village.

She said having the hot meals de-

livered twice a week gives her vari-

ety in her meals. She checks the

school lunch menu in the newspa-

per to see what's coming up for the

"It helps with grocery planning,"

Mary Wheeler is one of three

people Kim delivers to in Sudbury

Village. "He's very good at this," she said as he dropped off her meal.

Eva Perry also lives in Sudbury

Village. In addition to the food, she

also enjoys the brief company he

provides when he drops off the

food. "He's a very nice guy," said

Kim also gives Perry rides to get

"I just like helping seniors out,"

groceries and go to doctors' ap-

she said, for the other days when

she has shopping done for her.

Tibbetts said she has known many of the seniors her whole life, and is glad to be able to help them out. "They're so appreciative," she

The Meals on Wheels are delivered by Kim and Fran Shannon of Bethel. For Kim, it's a chance to help himself by helping others. A recovering cancer patient who is on disability, Kim does not yet have the strength to work full time.

"It helps me knowing I can do something for people," he said. He has volunteered with the program since this past summer.

On Tuesday, Kim made his rounds alone in the wake of an early-morning sleet storm. Fran was home with their ill daughter.

He brought beef stew, green beans, rolls, salad and dessert bars to the regular meal recipients. They may pay for the meals or receive them free, depending on circumstances. He also drops off frozen meals for people to eat on the days he doesn't deliver.

Kim said the clientele can vary, he said.

Merger

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matched guest experience, from the slopes of Heavenly in California and Sugarloaf/USA in Maine to the beaches of Captiva Island in Florida. We plan to make Doral International the leader in the four-

season resort destination business." Paul W. Whetsell, chairman and chief executive officer of MeriStar, agreed, saying Doral intends "to create world-class, year-round resorts in attractive cold- and warmweather locations, with a full range of lodging and retail facilities, as well as such amenities as skiing, golf, spas, tennis and water sports.

In trading early Tuesday afternoon on the New York Stock Exchange, Washington-based MeriStar was trading at \$2.75 a share, up 50 cents. ASC slipped 75 cents, to \$2. By midday Wednesday, ASC had slipped further, to \$1.60 a

The deal, which is subject to shareholder and regulatory approval, is expected to close in the first quarter of 2001. To MeriStar shareholders, the price represents a premium of more than 100 percent over Friday's closing.

Doral will have assets totaling more than \$1.2 billion, including nine ski resorts, 23 resort hotels, 246 hotels, 15 golf courses and four conference facilities.

Whetsell will become chief executive officer of Doral and Otten will become chairman.

In a conference call, Whetsell said the deal combines "two smaller-cap companies that have been off the radar screen" to create a larger company that can position itself to become "a dominant brand" in the industry.

The focus will be on improving market share, reducing expenses and improving margins, he said.

The announcement said the merged company will operate, own and develop Doral-branded, yearround mountain and beach resorts, vacation villages and conference centers, making Doral the nation's first major year-round destination resort and conference brand.

"Our target market for Doral Leisure will be the expanding universe of active baby boomers and the echo boom generation immediately following them," Otten said. "Both market segments have a high preference for leisure travel."

Doral will continue to manage 06 hotels owned by MeriStar Hospitality, the nation's third largest real estate investment trust, whose board of directors approved

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The deal comes after ASC posted a \$24.2 million loss for the first quarter on the heels of a \$32.3 million loss for its last fiscal year, Since the company went public three years ago, its stock has tumbled from an initial price of \$18.

Focus: year-round mountain and beach resorts, vacation villages and conference centers.

Otten founded ASC in 1997 but surrendered control of it two years later to Oak Hill Capital Partners of Texas in return for a \$150 million investment that was used to pay off debt and finance real estate pro-

"I think this deal was driven by Oak Hill, which put money into (ASC) at the \$5 range and the \$2 range and they got a bad investment there," said Brad McCurtain, president of Portland-based Maine Securities Corp. Oak Hill also has a sizable stake in MeriStar, he said.

While maintaining that it was too early to speculate on the long-term success of the merged company, McCurtain said the dilution of ASC's stock was a bad sign for shareholders.

Otten noted that the last two ski seasons have been the worst in memory but said the current season is off to a strong start. He said the company's real estate development has slowed and that the focus will be on projects at The Canyons in Utah and Heavenly in California and Nevada.

By teaming up with MeriStar, Otten said, ASC taps into a more stable and predictable cash flow that lessens the volatility of its financial performance and eases the seasonal fluctuations in earnings.

In addition to Sunday River and Sugarloaf/USA in Maine, ASC's resorts include Heavenly and The Canyons; Killington, Mount Snow and Sugarbush in Vermont; Attitash Bear Peak in New Hampshire and Steamboat in Colorado.

Telstar

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Competitors include: senior Darin Morse; juniors Ben Sabin, Mike Sabin, Mike Walker and Braden? Douglass; sophomores Forrest Du: plessis and Jeremy Benson and freshmen Bronson Douglass and Eliot Poirior; eighth-graders Chris Duplessis, Brock Merrill, Ross Parker, Andrew Raymond and Jenna Hardy (the only girl compet

ing).
Morse, Benson, Poirier and Bronson Douglass took part in nationallevel competition last year, Parker said. "Those four are the nucleus of our team," he said.

In addition to the competitors, another 30 or so middle-schoolers are training in hopes of moving up to competition.

Parker said the Rebel team is able to compete at a level equal to that of the MAISAD schools.

The Telstar boarders, he said, are particularly looking forward to trying out Sunday River's exhalf-pipe, Additional panded coaching for the team is provided by the resort.

Alpine skiing
With only one senior and nine freshmen on the Telstar alpine ski team, the assumption would naturally be that it's a rebuilding year.

But when the senior is Stephanie Vaughan and several of the freshmen have eight years each of competitive racing experience, it's not a usual season.

Vaughan skis internationally and hopes eventually to become an Olympian with the British team (she is a native of Britain). At the high school level of race competition, said coach Beth LaVallee, "If she stands, she wins.'

Vaughan will lead a small girls' squad made up of Jessica Adams and Heather Zimmerman, both sophomores, and freshmen Justine. Carver, Ashley Brooks and Fran Hardy.

A half-dozen freshmen will ski for the boys. They include Travis Brooks, Adam Largess, Jake Largess, Mark Hodgkin, Andy Lowe and Peter Poor. Returning skiers are juniors Seth Howe, Ray Crockett and Jay Aloisio, and sophomores Jon Howe and Dan Morgan.

"I can't remember ever having nine freshmen," said LaVallee, now

in her fifth year of coaching.

Despite the youth, LaVallee is optimistic. "We have a strong group of young skiers," she said. Several of the freshmen have raced competitively most of their lives, giving them more experience than most 14-year-olds. Now, they'll test that experience against the best in Class A.

The coaching approach, Lavallee said, is to "bring out the best each day (in practice) in each skier." If that translates into winning, she said, so much the better.

LaVallee is assisted by Sunday River coach Uel Gardner. The skiers, said Gardner, "are working very hard and are very focused. They are a dedicated group that gives 100 percent effort every day. That sort of effort is bound to pay

(Note: Information on the cross-country ski team was not available for this week.)



Some disgruntled Sunday River employees are thinking union

Since September groomers and carpenters at Sunday River Ski Resort have been talking with a union organizer from the United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCW). The focus of their discussions has been pay, many groomers said.

According to the groomers, Sunday River limited hourly employees to working 40 hours a week in an effort to control costs last spring. The groomers say they have traditionally worked 45 to 50 hours a week during the heart of the winter. Limiting their hours has resulted in

less take-home pay. In another cost-control measure, they say, vacation pay for the groomers and carpenters is now given based on a 40-hour work week, down from the 45 hours used previously.

Carpenters and groomers who spoke with The Citizen said the sacrifice of controlling costs is falling on hourly employees unfairly. They said they believe salaried employees have not received similar wage

Several Sunday River employees said that the UFCW organizer hopes to unionize the entire mountain. They said employees in other departments, including housekeeping and food and beverage, are interested in

"We just want to have a little respect," one groomer said. "They've lost a lot of good people because of the pay. We don't want to hurt the company, we just want them to listen to us."

Top managers at Sunday River met with the groomers and carpenters last month to discuss their concerns. Based on that meeting, the groomers expected some changes to be made. Those changes, they said, have

And this has some employees beginning to wonder if a union is the only way to be heard.

But not all the groomers are gung-ho about joining a union. "The union's goal is to get a chunk of my paycheck," one said. Many said they'd been to a meeting or two, but weren't sure what to think about it. Despite repeated attempts, the UFCW organizer could not be reached

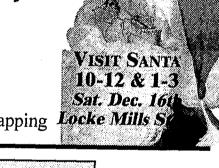
Chip Seamens, managing director at Sunday River, had no comment, saying the matter is an internal affair.

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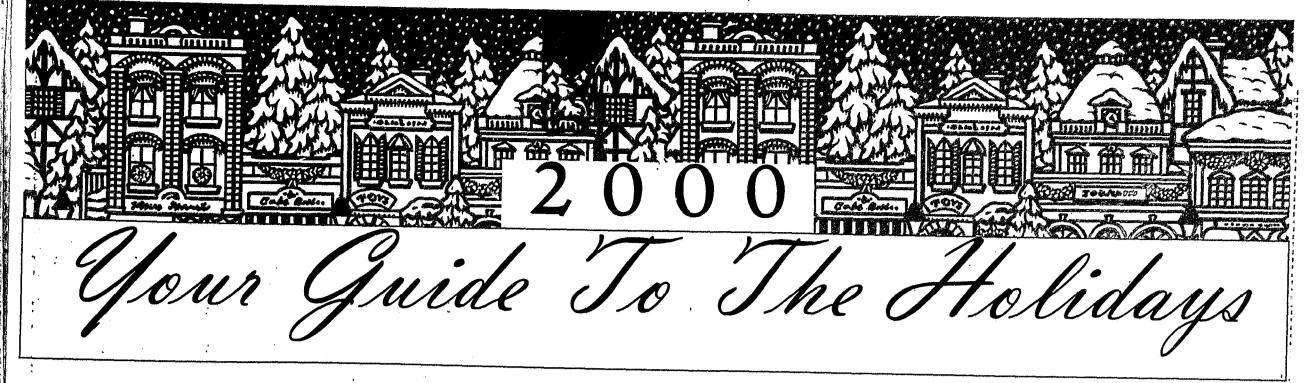
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I teaspoon vanilla

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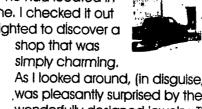




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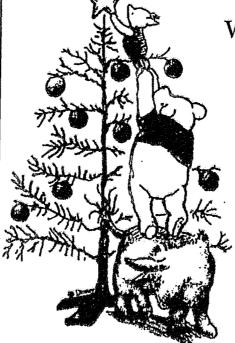


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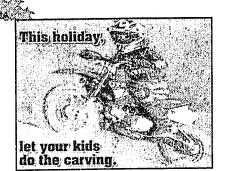


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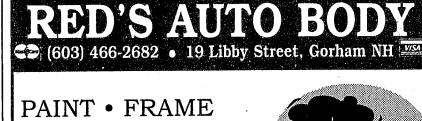
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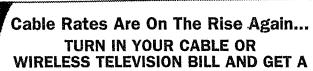


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Parkway

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Route 2, truckers would be directed to use Railroad Street.

This is the second attempt by the selectmen to get MDOT to do something about the intersection where accidents have already claimed one life and resulted in numerous injuries. Bethel has a long-standing request to MDOT to install a traffic light at the intersection, but that request is still "stalled" according to Town Manäger Scott Cole.

The main concerns at the intersection include a confusing traffic pattern and poor visibility — problems the selectmen fear will only be compounded by the increased truck traffic.

Truck drivers say that when they ttempt to make a right hand turn from the parkway toward Rumford, it's next to impossible to do that and stay in your own lane of trafMead's general manager for northeast forest resources.

But deliveries to the West Paris plant are not under similar constraints, Lyons said, so they will not be on a set schedule. Most are expected to arrive during the mid-

Many of the deliveries, however, will not be passing through Bethel at all, but will be coming to West Paris from the south.

"We're expecting a majority of the wood to be coming more from the south," Lyons said. "We have a chip mill in Shelburne (N.H.)" Lyons said, "so wood that relatively close to Bethel is as likely to flow into Shelburne as anywhere else."

In fact, he said, the location of the West Paris plant "is intentional to" get us into a wood basket in the southern part of Maine and New Hampshire."

'There'll be plenty of chips. It'll be a gerbil cage.'

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fic," said Selectman Reggie Brown, And more trucks waiting to pass through the intersection will only make the visibility problem worse, said Chairman Dutch Dresser. "The trouble I see is visual difficulties. ... You just can't take it all in, and if there's a bread truck parked next to you, you can't see half of it."

Don Bennett saw other dangers, noting the practice of some truckers to travel in pairs. "These trucks for some reason often get two by two, one behind the other," he said, envisioning a situation in which "two of them are going to pull up to the stop sign and get out into traffic, while two of them are going to be coming over the bridge going too

"There'll be plenty of chips," quipped Dresser. "It'll be a gerbil

Runs to start in spring The chip trucks at least are not

likely to be running in pairs. To accommodate the loading and unloading processes, the Rumfordbound trucks will pass through Bethel approximately 15 minutes apart, according to Anthony Lyons, Not using Route 232

Lyons said the Rumford-bound chip trucks will be using routes 26 and 2 exclusively — rather than using a shorter, more direct route over Route 232 — primarily because Route 232 is not well suited for heavy trucks.

Route 232, he said, has no shoulders, "and there's a lot of corner sloping that goes the wrong way, so it just becomes a very unsafe highway for trucks."

As for the exact route the trucks will take through Bethel, Lyons said he believed it would be over the Parkway rather than Railroad

"That 's my expectation," he said, "but we're willing to work with the town and with our contractor to make sure getting through Bethel is as easy and safe as possible. If there's a better route right there in town, we can certainly direct the trucks to go that way.'

The West Paris plant is eventually expected to operate around the clock, but it will be limited to 20 hours a day until sound tests are completed, Lyons said.

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NOT WORTH FIXING--Spending \$330,000 to upgrade the Ethel Bisbee School is not worth the investment, a School Board committee recently concluded. The district will now spend \$26,000 for a study of all district facility needs. EBS could potentially be offered back to Bethel, if another location can be found to house Adult Education and the superintendent's office. (Photo by Daniels)

Kent Rosberg, "putting more Another change proposed in the money into (EB) is not worth it. It's study was the construction of three in the long-term interest of the district to get out of the facility."

If the district no longer uses the building, said Rosberg, it would "be offered back to Bethel."

Garage, track supported The preliminary study also considered the future of other district buildings, including the bus garage and the Telstar complex. The committee Monday also presented preliminary opinions on those buildings.

The committee concluded that making changes to the garage is also not worth the investment. The district's large buses have difficulty backing safely out of the garage onto the main road. In addition, the buses almost touch heating ductwork in the ceiling.

A \$30,000 plan was proposed two vears ago to move the garage doors to the side of the building and change the ductwork. But after revisiting the issue, the committee questioned the value of the fixes. Instead, it is proposing a new garage at Telstar, to be located to the right of the complex. The cost:

new sixth-grade classrooms at Telstar and the conversion of the current lecture hall into the middle school office. Such a move would better concentrate middle school rooms — and students — away from the high school.

As for the middle school addition, "if both Adult Education and the Superintendent's Office left Telstar, the need for the classroom addition goes away," said Rosberg. Those spaces could then be utilized for creating sixth-grade classroom space. The estimated cost of the addition would be about \$300,000.

Supt. Kent Rosberg described a second gym as a luxury.

A plan for a second gymnasium was also laid out.

In reporting to the board Monday, the committee recommended against the gym — "a luxury," said Rosberg, at a cost of \$790,000. There was, however, "substantial support" for constructing a new track and renovating the auditorium

"There was supposed to have been a track when the school was built," said Rosberg, And, he said, the auditorium seats are worn out and the lighting is antiquated. "It's showing its age," he said.

Conversion of the existing space would cost less.

The committee's opinions have now raised further questions: Where do Adult Ed and the Superintendent's Office go? How much would it cost for the sixth-grade conversion?

"Before we can go further, we need some more information," said

The board unanimously approved more comprehensive study by Smith/Reuter, at a cost of \$26,000. The money will come from the \$30,000 earmarked two years ago for the bus garage alterations.

"We would see the study encompassing all of the district's buildings," Jim Reuter wrote in a letter to the district. "It would incorporate information gathered previously regarding transportation facility, Ethel Bisbee, and Telstar, and would include an evaluation of an off-site property as a central office, should the district decide to acquire one." The architects would then put together a building maintenance and construction/alteration strategy.

Rosberg said the study should be done sometime in February. If the district decides to go ahead with any construction or alterations, the state is unlikely to provide financial aid, he said, because the need is not strong enough relative to other construction needs in the state. He cited the high school in Windham, which has 20 portable classrooms in use. Some state funds might be available to help rent space for a superintendent's office, he said.

No timeline has been set for proposing any plans to the voters, Rosberg said. "It depends on what the study turns out and what the numbers are," he said. "It would be a stretch for this year."

The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Sharon Bouchard's column is published here by special arrangement with the Advertising Department of this newspaper.

were caught up in the frenzy of baking, cleaning and preparing all the fixings for the traditional Thanksgiving dinner. Now all that remains of the feast are a few slices of dried up pumpkin pie and some assorted leftovers hiding in the back of my refrigerator where they will remain until I have to reclaim the Cool Whip bowls which may not be for many months.

Now we are right in the middle of an even more frenzied time of the year -Christmas shopping season.

I haven't even really started Christmas shopping yet and I am not even sure where to begin. Whenever I

start to make a list of what to get steamed hot dogs. for whom, I am haunted by the ghosts of Christmas presents

I have given and received some of the most impractical, useless presents, not to mention dozens of guaranteed-to-break or malfunction-after-the-first-use gifts. My attic is a graveyard of Ronco's sensational just-can'tlive-without-em geegaws and gadgets. My cupboards are over flowing with miracle save-youtime-in-the-kitchen appliances. The only miracle is the fact that I still have them.

Like the Dog O Matic. Do you remember that little time saving cooking device? It was an electric tray with eight iron studs on each side. All one had to do was impale each end of a hotdog on a stud, close the cover and plug it in. In just moments, much quicker than conventional methods of boiling, frying or grilling, you had - Walla electrocuted hot dogs.

Such an amazing little appliance. The only problem was that the hot dogs, once removed from the studs, shriveled up like prunes and tasted like pig iron.

I can remember telling myself one day the seat mounting came

It doesn't' seem possible that . it was absolutely great. I love it! I only a few short weeks ago we didn't know how I got by without it. halfway across the room in mid-But, after a few uses and polite choking down of bad tasting wrinkled hot dogs by the family, I put the Dog O Matic away in the top of the cupboard right next to the Hot Dog Carousel.

> The Hot Dog Carousel was Christmas circa 1979 for busy housewives everywhere. It was a large clear plastic cylinder with a smaller plastic cylinder inserted in the center and topped with a

cover resembling a carousel top. The idea was to stand the hot dogs on end in the smaller inner cylinder and stand the rolls on end in the larger outer cylinder, put water in the base, cover with the cute carousel cover, plug it in and Walla -

Every year new

items being

touted as the

miracle this or

sensational

A great piece of cooking ingenuity if I ever saw one, except that the rolls got soggy and the hot dogs shriveled up like a prune and tasted like plastic.

There were of course, many assorted slicers, dicers, choppers and juicers that found their way from under the Christmas tree to the top of my cupboard or the attic graveyard along with a dead donut maker and many, many toys.

Toys are probably the most short-lived Christmas gifts of all. Easy Bake Ovens and Play Dough factories were good for about a week before they broke or dried up and games that had a lot of pieces were only good for the day before a piece got lost. Then they were banished to the attic for all of eternity or next summer's yard sale, which ever came first.

Exercise equipment made great Christmas gifts for just about as long as it took me to break my New Year's resolution of getting in shape. The rowing machine of Christmas 1975 was just fine if paramedics were standing by to administer CPR. That was a heck of a workout until

lose and I propelled myself

The Thigh Master is a wonderful gift if you are giving it to someone with thighs of steel instead of flab. Of course, if they have thighs of steel, they sure as heck don't need the Thigh Master. I darn near became a wishbone on that

One year I received a Step-up Aerobic Workout Bench. It proved to be a very useful item, not for its intended purpose, but as a step stool so I could reach the top shelf in the cupboard to check on the Dog O Matic.

Having the Step-up bench around does make me feel guilty though and I certainly need to have the reminder that I need to do something about exercise. Unfortunately, my way of coping with guilt is to bury my face in a high calorie laden dessert.

Every year new items being touted as the miracle this or sensational that grace the department store shelves destined to end up under someone's Christmas tree and next year be relegate to someone's attic or yard sale.

In the last few years some of the hot items have been the sensational electric bread makers and the miracle Butt Masters. Remember the wonderful cordless screwdriver? I always thought they were cordless. And how about the food dehydrators and Veg-O-Matics?

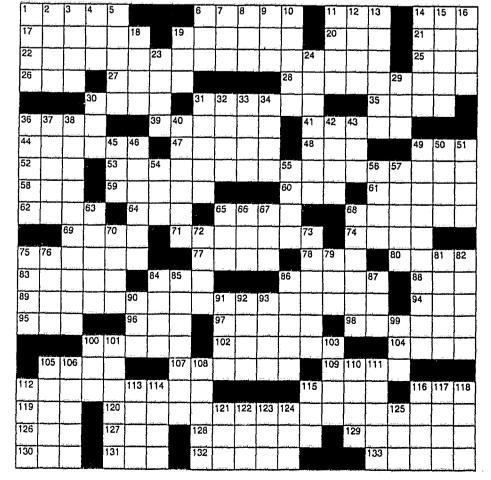
My advice to you is when you do your Christmas shopping think before you make your purchases. Buy your loved ones things that are practical and useful so you too won't be haunted by the ghosts of Christmas past. There are a lot of great things to choose from to please everyone on your Christmas list.

I know I am going to give serious consideration to clothing, books and CDs for my family members, but the way I see it, I Just may ask Santa about that Butt Master for myself.

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the car - except for the biennial

trip for a rabies shot — so I really don't know what her problem is., + Did everyone catch the great editorial in the Sunday Lewiston Sun?

Rex Rhoades spoke about keeping

dogs leashed and the damage done

to Lynn's Seeing Eye dog by two

rottweilers in Bethel. People have

to realize that when a dog is in a

harness like that it is a working dog and shouldn't be petted, fed, etc. It

is important that a working dog is

not distracted from its job. A life

might be at stake. I agree with Rex

that I do not know why anyone

would want to own an attack dog,

but if one does, that dog should be

kept under control at all times - not just voice control, but leash and

Was given a snowsuit this week-

end. That means I'm more than

ready for winter playtime. It is

aqua, and a bit big, but that leaves

more room for extra layers. Now if

I can just find a new pair of Sorells

that fit I'll even have warm feet.

Last year I could only find narrow

boots that used to be available.

Since I can wear a little boy's/girl's

size, that could work. I love my

Rocky's (yes I own a pair of boots

named after me, even though they

spelled my name wrong), but they

are not big enough for two pairs of warm socks or one pair of Doch-

By the time this is read, I only

hope the election is over. Even a

political junkie like me is finding it

boring. I know from speaking with

my folks who moved to Florida this

year and voted there for the first

time, that it was confusing and ask-

ing for a new ballot wasn't really

an option. It meant getting in line

all over again. For a senior citizen,

that's a lot of standing in lines.

Perhaps after this fiasco, election

officials can standardize the ballots

and the voting machines. One type

of machine or a paper ballot like

we have here in Newry and other

area towns should be the only

choices. That would avoid some of

the problems. In any case, I hope it

chain control.

Bethel



Virginia Keniston Norman Clanton of San Antonio, Texas, spent the Thanksgiving holiday with his son and wife,

Norman and Sylvia. He enjoyed the holiday but not the cold weather.

Hi and Mary Lou Berry entertained Judy and Albert Costa of Waban, Mass., and Sylvia and Norman Clanton at a family Christmas dinner party on Saturday

On Thanksgiving Day, Red Coolidge and Betty Perkins visited Nina and Gabriel Perkins and Mariah Stevens in Lewiston. Gab was home from Arizona for the holiday. On Saturday, Red and Betty joined Sharon and Bob Hutchins for a family Thanksgiving Association; Donna Hepp, dinner in Andover.

Tim Brooks has returned home from the hospital after being treated Homes sales supervisor; Dan for a broken leg and complications. Ed and Merrie Lee Ojeda at- Tourism; and George Pozzuto, tended their daughter Vicky's WMNF district ranger. graduation from college.

Last weekend Red Coolidge and Betty Perkins attended a Bluegrass Concert in Orange, Mass. Participating were Erica Brown on fiddle and Dan Brown on mandolin, grandchildren of the late George and Connie Brown. On the way home, they visited Mr. and Mrs. Ares in Wichendon, Mass.

The United Methodist Women met Dec. 1 at the church for a potluck supper. Following dinner they packed Ditty bags to be given to

needy women. Weekend guests of Bob and Ginny Keniston were Jeremy and Deanne Witt of Merrimack, N.H., and Rachel McKnight of Jericho, Vt. On Sunday, Ginny, along with daughters Martha Bangs of Dresden, Rachel McKnight of Jericho, Vt., Jodi Keniston of Norway, Stacey Keniston of Turner met for lunch and attended "Christmas Carol" at the Public Theater in Lewiston.

Elizabeth Vargiu and friend Paolo Campra of Tempio Pausamia, Italy, " are spending some time with her grandmother, Bea Brown, in Skillingston. They will visit Blaine MacKay in New York before returning home.

Lynn Boothby and Chris Darling of Massachusetts have bought a home on Dumont Circle, off Willard Road, and are welcomed by the community.

SAD44 school vacation is Dec. 21 through Jan. 2.

The Bethel House

by Ruth Cummings Hello, secret pal. I certainly am enjoying the book about the Barjo Restaurant that you sent me. It is so interesting and brings back many memories. I enjoyed a number of meals there, especially her fried

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of Buckfield. Shown here are (front, from left): Vaughn Stinson, executive director of the Maine Tourism WMNF supervisor; Elizabeth Wiesemann, Northern Log Lewis, director of the Office of

(Photo by Alison Aloisio)

clams and the boiled dinners, also some of her delicious pies.

In reading of the death of Louise Chase that for many years ran Jordan's Restaurant in Locke Mills, she sure put out lovely food and the fried clams and meat loaf and Gram's homemade bread were all just great.

Hello, Joyce, Nathan and boys. How I wish you were here. Had you been here last Sunday when the Thanksgiving baskets were delivered, I know you would have come to my rescue. The temperature was just 20 and I found they were leaving them outside when the residents were not home. I made one phone call and asked for someone to come get them inside for me and was refused their assistance. I at last found someone willing to help and she got them for me and put them by the inside doors to the apartments. It would not have taken long for the fruit to freeze outside. I just was not steady enough on my feet to go collect them all and bring them inside.

Rita Davis phoned me to say that Leslie and Marie Davis took Joe Chapman into their home the last years of his life. She did not know about Arthur Farrar.

Christine Hanscom told me she spent a very enjoyable afternoon with Adaline Clough of the West Bethel Flat Road recently.

KC Denton was at the Bethel House recently on maintenance. Liz Perry was at the Bethel House on Friday so all the residents

could sign a new lease for 2001. Beatrice Lowell of Branch Road, Newry, visited me on Friday morning. I sure hope she will come

Patty Grieg also visited me on

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Saturday, 16th

Friday morning and she brought me some Indian pudding as she has done every year starting in 1987. Come again Patty.

"Early bird gets the worm but second mouse gets the cheese." "Growing old is mandatory;

growing wise is optional." 'The best way to get back on

your feet -- miss a car payment." Cathy Newell visited with me on Saturday afternoon. While she was here, Becky Ricker came in with a Virginia quarter and I bought that from her and then she left saying that she would be back in a minute. Back she came and that time she had a folder with the map of the United States and the quarters for 1999 and 2000 were already in it, and she said it was my Christmas present from her. What a great pre-

Lindley Wieden put up the Christmas tree in the community room downstairs and other decorations as well as some decorations in the halls. I have helped him in years past, but this year I did not even know when he did it. They are very nice. Lindley is very nice to all of us in here. Thank you, Lindley, and Merry Christmas to you and Pauline.

The Sunday morning service at the Bethel Alliance Church was just a bit different than usual but it was great. Steve and Ja Whitney spoke on New Tribes Missions Presentation. They are both very nice persons and Ja is just bubbling over with love. She has the nicest smile. She is a hugger, too. I think she is just a wonderful person. Andy Bean sang a special number and that, too, was just great.

The second annual Christmas party, with Elaine Dresser as hostess, was held in the community room at the Bethel House on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 3. Elaine went through a lot of work baking cookies for the event. We also had tea and coffee. It sure was a fun time. Cack Bean and son Charlie fur-

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nished music and sang for us all. When others were not too busy eating, they joined in with the singing. Those present besides the host-ess were Dutch and Charles Dresser, Erika and Nicolas Penczer, Pauline and Lindley Wieden, Cack and Charlie Bean, Florence Merrill, Olga Morgan, Rebecca Ricker, Luella Sciraffa, Olive Williams, Marie Barker, Dot Bean, Ginny Walker and myself. Each of us residents got a little Christmas towel from Cathy Newell, who planned to be present but because of another commitment could not make it. Thank you again, Elaine, for the wonderful afternoon and all the goodies, and to Cathy for the

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hanscom Sr. were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Anderson on Chandler Hill Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hanscom live at 85 Intervale Rd.

Mrs. Ronnie Hanscom and Mrs. Arthur Bragdon, also Matthew and Mitchell Bragdon, were in Norway shopping on Monday.

Mitchell Bragdon celebrated his first birthday with a party at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bragdon Jr. on Saturday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bragdon Jr., Matthew and Mitchell, Denise and Keith Walley, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bragdon Sr. of Oxford, Tracy and Ed and sons, Jake and Andrew, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Hanscom, also Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Hanscom and Tyler of North Conway.

Hanscom and Tyler spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Hanscom and returned home on

Cecile Payette and Liz Perry of PMV Coastal gave the residents of the Bethel House a Christmas party on Dec. 4. It was a great party with plenty to eat and sodas for drink. Gifts were exchanged and Cack Bean entertained us with the playing of his guitar and singing. Those present besides Liz and Cecile were Pete and Janice Hill, Rebecca Ricker, Cack and Bea Bean, Florence Merrill, Marie Barker, Olga Morgan, Ginny Walker, Ruth Cummings, Richard Allen, Vivian Chase, Dottie Bean, Everett Cole,

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the butter cookies and calendar in a bag on my door on Dec. 4 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Time seems to fly by lately. I do not know why. Not working, I am not scheduling my

days. I find myself sleeping in, as I've never done before, not that I'm actually sleeping but being a stay-a-bed. Perhaps it is not wanting to get out from under the warm covers into the cold bedroom. At least that was the excuse last week during those subzero days. Of course, by the time I got up I'd already been up and downstairs twice to stoke the stove, but I like my fantasy of getting up at a leisurely rate. Even Tasha has been lazy and likes to spend time along side the wood-

Friday was the worst day because had to let the fire go out so Chuck and Tim could come over and clean the chimney. They took out over four gallons of creosote — a perfect prescription for a chimney fire. Good thing they got it cleaned. Now my fire burns hotter and more easily. Now it is warmer again, too. Probably by the time you read this, it will be colder again and will have snowed. We could sure use the ground cover and the insulation for the next cold snap.

Sunday we took advantage of the nice day and the lack of snow and hiked up the right of way in Stoneham. It was a perfect day for it. Tasha was as happy as could be once I forced her into the car. Her new thing is to shake as if she's scared or freezing. Maybe she just doesn't like the Vista. Maybe she knows something I don't know. In any case, for now, she's stuck with it and I'll keep dragging her in it to take her places she is going to have a great time. Actually, she always goes to fun places when she's in

width ones that my feet didn't fit into. Maybe what I need is little kid snowmobile boots, like those moon

A big thanks to the one that left

Sunday River Valley



Rockie Graham

as good at

is all over. Time to concentrate on other problems like world peace, an end to hunger and cures for diseases like HIV and the Ebola Virus. Enough ranting for this week. Have a good week. Remember that Chanukah starts the 21st and Solstice is also the 21st. After that the days will begin to get longer and brighter and spring will be here before we know it. At this rate,

maybe before the first snow.



Eleanor LeComte Wow — what a

cold weekend! Seventeen below zero and that doesn't count the wind chill factor

which was awesome. Winter has moved in with a vengeance. I think we became softies in that nice fall weather. It's gone. Brace yourself. I hate to think what the fuel bill will be. The furnace was on full speed ahead all weekend.

Leslie Aron is back from Ken-

tucky and is working locally. Walt and Liz Stanczyc, Earl and Lucille Largesse attended the Balsams Hotel employees' Christmas party. This is always a gala event The famous Balsams hors d'oeuvres and dinner were served. Dancing, games and entertainment were enjoyed. Liz Stanczyc won a weekend vacation at the Freeport Inn with all expenses paid. Needless to say she was overjoyed.

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Friday, 15th

A Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV) was seen driving out on the ice from the Public Landing. This defiinitely is a foolish gesture. The ice is not thick enough for that. A few of the brainless were also seen out on the ice on snowmobiles. Wait a Week or so and with proper weather it will be safe.

It didn't take the deer long to find their winter feeding ground. There hare about a dozen that got the message that the hunting season was officially over.

The Ladies Aid Christmas Party will be held this Saturday, Dec. 16 at 6 p.m. Upton children will receive gifts from the Jenkins Fund. Parents of children not living in fown are requested to bring a gift for all children not covered under 'the terms of the Jenkins' Will. All "children will receive gift baskets provided by Simone Lavallee and the Ladies Aid. Carols, entertainment by the children and refreshments, courtesy of the members, will be served. A secret Santa will present the gifts to the children. It should be fun. Everyone in town is ninvited.

While distributing the party invi-Tations, I slid off Route 26 into the side of the road. A thank you to Jeff Scribner for getting me out of the mess.

My female cardinal hasn't been seen lately. I hope she didn't turn Into cat food. I'd like to think that the cold weather drove her out.

Several people have reported seeing a hawk on Mill Road. No one has identified as to what kind. The "Bird of the Week" is the ever-faithful blue jay. He may be a rogue, but he sure is beautiful.

Everett Eames is recovering from Thip surgery. We all wish him a 'speedy recovery. Get well, Everett. il miss seeing you in your "big rig" on the road.

Our deepest sympathy is offered to Larry Nelson on the death of his "mother in Florida.

Think snow. Our plants need the snow cover for insulation, and it's They difficult to ski on dirt.

East Bethel



Nancy Mercer Alder River Grange held its regular meeting on Dec. 8 at Stanley Howe's home. The

Grange is going to try and get a newsletter out quarterly to its members in the coming year. February was declared "Fun Month," with a crazy calendar going out to all members in January.

Jim and Donna Bernard of Andover visited Polly Smith on Dec.

Jack and Lucy Nordahl returned on Nov. 30 after a 42-day trip to Orlando, Fla. They stopped and visited a lot of places going down and arrived a week before their son's wedding. They took a lot of the family children to Disney World while there. Their return trip "was along the coast, stopping in Groton, Mass., to visit their daugh-

ter and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hallman and children, Heather and Whitney, of Durham visited Arlene Harrington on Dec. 9.

Daisy Coolidge had dinner with Grace Gibson on Nov. 23. Mary Bean and Arthur Hertell

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had Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Wojtysiak in Westbrook.

Victoria Coolidge was home from the University of New England for Thanksgiving and will be home on Dec. 15 for the Holidays. Conrad and Carolyn Grant of

Winterport visited Leslie Noyes and Nina Mollicone on Dec. 9. I think I'm ready for snow now. We do not need freezing rain or rain that will freeze when it lands

Andover

on the road.



oan Stinson Carney Get well wishes can be sent to Violet Swain, East Andover, who had a bad

John Percival, who can't play "This Little Piggy" any more; and Barbara Meisner, who had surgery recently.

My parents and I went to the Sunday School program at the Calvary Congregational Church yesterday. I want to congratulate the children, and adults who presented the program; it was really great. First prize for the best "Applause Person" goes to Zachary Morton, age three. Upcoming events at the church include: Christmas Caroling on Thursday, Dec. 21, the carolers will leave the church parking lot at 5:30 p.m.; a Christmas Eve service on Sunday, Dec. 24 at 6 p.m.; and a New Year's Eve service from 7 until 10 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 31. All are welcome.

I love it when I find out that someone has done a kind deed. This one really deserves mentioning. Recently, Robert and Violet Swain donated the money to have the Andover Calvary Congregational Church parking lot payed. It looks wonderful, and come "mud season" there won't be one at the

John Lennon's song, "And So This Is Christmas," keeps going through what is left of my brain,

and even though I try to ignore it, both the song and the pressure, it's not going to go away until Dec. 26, so I think I'll add a little pressure to your life, too. There are only ten, that's 10, shopping days left until "C" Day and for me only two paychecks. Don't you just love it. Those three Magi have a lot to answer for. Where do you buy Frankenscence and Myrrh, any-

Lorena Simmons hosted Christmas Party for the East Andover Community Club on Monday, Dec. 11. The food was excellent and all the members found out who their secret pals were. Now they have new ones for next year.

The word of the week is "twerp." Ask Wendy Green what it means; she picked it out. See ya.

Hanover



by Clem Worcester The annual Town Meeting for Hanover will be Friday, Dec. 15; at the Hanover

Town House at 12 Howard Pond Road. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. and voters will be asked to act on 27 posted articles, to elect municipal officers, vote on budget amounts and decide policy.

The three-year selectperson's position, now filled by Brenda Lee Gross, is the office to be elected this year. Also expiring is the three-year Superintending School Com-mittee office held by Ruth Brown. Also, to be elected from the floor are the positions of moderator,

clerk, treasurer and tax collector. Most of the articles are routine budget and housekeeping items with the exception of Article 27. which asks voters to accept the Interlocal Agreement between Be-

thel, Hanover and Newry for the Disposal and Recycling of Solid Waste Materials. If passed, Hanover will share in the responsibility for the transfer station and recycling will be moved to the transfer station site. The selectmen are recommending that Article 27 be accepted.

Following the Town Meeting, there will be a pizza party at 7 p.m. To help everyone get in the spirit of the season, there will be pizza from Gordie Howe's along with coffee, fruit punch and chips. All attending should have a good time, if they are not all mad at each other from the Town Meeting.

Louise Worcester returned home from Stephens Memorial Hospital on Monday, but due to a complication she was readmitted later the same day. Louise finally got home for good on Wednesday, where she continues to recuperate. Louise has expressed appreciation to all those who visited, sent cards or called while she was hospitalized.

Most homes and businesses on streets and roads in Hanover were without electricity for three hours Wednesday evening, Dec. 6. The power failure was apparently caused when wires fell to the ground by Route 2, near the intersection with Whipporwill Road in Rumford Point. The Fire Department responded for traffic control and because of fires caused by the downed lines. Central Maine Power Company returned the wires to their proper place. No reason was given for the wires falling.

The Howard Pond Good Old Boys' Association held an election and the following are the officers for 2001: Bob Dragoon, chairman of the board; Jeff Watts, director of public relations and procurement; John Hannawalt, president; Jim Moir, vice president and finance officer; and Frank Morrison, chairman of long-range planning. A statement has been

adopted, which states power to the Roosters. It must have been a case of mis-

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taken identity. That was last week when Chris Howe was at work in his store and he got a phone call from ESPN Radio as they were attempting to do a live interview with hockey great Gordie Howe. Chris thought his moment of fame was a short one when the radio station quickly went to a commer-

North Newry



Gil Seeley The Windy Valley's Sno-Mobile Club met at the Grange Hall Sunday night, Dec. 3, for a Christmas and potluck supper and exchange

of gifts. About 22 people attended. A donation was collected for the local children's Christmas program sponsored by the Bethel Rotary Club and SAD44. Karlene Bachelder, Gil Seeley

Bea by 16 pins. On the second string, Gil was high, beating Karlene by one pin and Bea by 16 pins. On the third string, Karlene and Gil tied, beating Bea by 20 pins. So on the overall scores, Gil was high on the triples, beating Karlene by nine pins. She had one strike and three spares. Karlene had three spares and Bea had one spare. They went to lunch and did some shopping.

and Bea Lowell were at the Oxford

Lanes in Rumford one day last week to do some bowling for fun.

On the first string, Gil was high,

beating Karlene by eight pins and

Bill and Sylvia Wight treated Gil with a delicious lunch one noontime last week,

Greenwood City



Colista Morgan Today's civilization is full of people who have not the slightest notion of the character or the

poetry of night, who have never even seen night. Night is very beautiful. It is the true other half of the day's tremendous wheel; it is very beautiful, it is fulfillment, it is rest. Thin clouds float in these heavens, islands of obscurity in a splendor of space and stars; the Milky Way bridges earth and ocean. At times the sea is troubled and noisy. I have seen the waves washing up green coils of seaweed, all cold and wet and bright in the motionless and unnatural radiance. Far off a single ship will be groaning its way along the shoals. The fog appears in the finest moisture. Standing on the shelving beach, with the surf breaking at my feet, I could see the endless wild push, slide and withdrawal of the sea's white rim of foam.

The beach at night has a voice all its own, with its little dry sound of sand forever on the move.

The grass glistens in the early morning light. The sandpipers stand on one leg and dream, their heads tousled deep into their feath-

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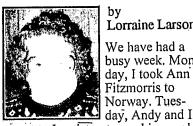
sound of the ocean on the beach. That of the ocean is the most awesome, beautiful and varied. The sea has many voices. The beach is never more beautiful than when waves are rolling, fighting a strong

Rena Curtis had her Thanksgiving dinner for her family on last Saturday. Over 40 attended.

There have been several visitors at Colista Morgan's: her family, David, Ann, Leonas Holt, Ardell and Betty Hayes.

Cur pond has now frozen over which tells us winter is here. Only a few welcome it.

Locke Mills



Lorraine Larson We have had a busy week, Monday, I took Ann Fitzmorris to Norway. Tues-

went to Lewiston to see his oncologist. Wednesday, I got my hair done because Thursday I had to get my license renewed (yep, I've turned 68). Only I went to Mexico Wednesday afternoon so I could have a day at home, ha, ha. My day at home turned into a trip to the library with Andy and a trip to Debbie's so Ann could get her hair done. It looks nice, too. Andy and I had our cake and ice cream in the evening. Today (Friday), I plan to take Ann and Vivian Chase to

It has been an interesting week in more ways than one. I went out to the car in the dark one night and came face to face with this animal and jumped - so did he. Luckily he had a collar on or I would have thought he was a wolf, but he turned out to be one of the biggest shepherds I have ever seen and very gentle to boot. He hung around for a couple days visiting Poochie and Lucy and then he met Princess. I don't know what she said to him but when we came back from the store he was gone. I hope he either went home or he finds who he was looking for. It is not easy for an animal on its own.

Then last night I was awakened about 2 a.m. with what sounded like a muffled telephone ring. I listened, decided I was wrong, when it happened again. Half asleep I checked the phone but all I

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got was a dial tone. This time it woke Andy up so he stumbled out to check the fire detector but everything was okay, so he came back to bed only to hear the noise again. This time, I was awake enough to

realize the noise was coming from the floor beside the bed. The soft drink bottle I had water in to fill the dog's water dish had tipped over and somehow air was escaping around the top making this muffled sound. I decided this was something that could only happen to me, took off the cap and went back to

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My son-in-law, Jon Smith, has been having a series of health problems which started with a sinus infection, then into near pneumonia, then he had a varicose vein rupture and ended up in the hospital for a day. Two days later, he had conjunctivitis (pink eye), from which he is home recovering. He hopes that this is the last of the problems for a long time.

My son made it to and from Texas okay. Now he plans to come to Maine for Christmas, which with his car is probably way more dangerous than the flight to Texas. He is hoping to get a truck in a few months that will be more dependable than this car he has.

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Bruant Pond



Alice Hoyt Philip House has a new tape and CD out, "Memories." You may contact his parents, Bessie

and Belmont House (665-2886), if you are interested in buying one.

Patch the Pirate Club meets each Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m., same time as prayer meeting, at the Baptist Church. The Sunday School had a get-together last Saturday and wrapped gifts for children. Their project was Hope Haven Gospel Mission. There will be a dress rehearsal for the Christmas Cantata on Saturday at 2 p.m. Sunday services are Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship at 9:15 a.m., morning service at 10:30 a.m. and evening service at 6 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 4, with 26 present. The Grange was given a gift of \$500, which will be used toward replacing and fixing windows in the upper hall. A supper was held before the meeting. The program went as follows: opening thought, "Thank God for Jesus Christ our Savior" by Bertha; song by all, "Joy to the World"; Bertha read from Luke, Chapter Two; Connie Tutlis read a poem; "Oh Come All Ye Faithful," song by all; reading by Lucy Robbins; exchange of gifts

Franklin Grange 124 met on

and cards; reading by Alice Hoyt; songs, "Silent Night" and "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"; closing thought by Peggy Blake. The next

meeting is Jan. I with a supper at 6

for Children for Christmas or both. There will be a tasting party.

At the open house of the Earth and Fire Pottery Shop last week, winners of the door prizes were Karen Berry, small moose; Cindy Bobbe, creamer and sugar and Bebba Waite, creamer and sugar.

Peter and Donna Dunn called on her cousin, Beatrice Farnum, on Thursday.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens met on Thursday for a meeting. Over 40 people attended the very nice dinner and party at * the Legion Hall.

Mary Billings has given some photos she took of society activities to the museum. It is wonderful to have someone doing that for us. The Woodstock Extension will Not everyone will and a photomeet on Wednesday, Dec. 20, at graphic record of our projects is the home of Alice Hoyt. Instead of vital. The Historical Society is a an exchange of gifts, each one will representative New England mubring some canned goods or a gift seum. Many exhibits and books

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from Maine and New England have been included in the building's collections. Come to a meeting and enjoy this fine facility. Curator Larry Billings likes pictures and biographies of old-time Hollywood movie stars. He feels films are a major art form of modern times. The Historical Society has one of the best museums around. It features local memorabilia, antiques and art, Nothing about it is secondrate, yet it is warm and welcoming and not at all pretentious. It is a great all-around facility.

South Woodstock



Andrea Wing I called Cleo Ryerson on Dec. 6 to wish her a happy birthday, She told me that her sons, Perry

and Troy, put in two new doors for her as a present for her birthday. She also told me that Perry, who was hurt quite severely several months ago, is still laid up a good part of the time. Also, Troy, who was in an accident a while back, is still not feeling up to par.

I stopped by the agricultural of-where I used to work one day West Paris fice where I used to work one day last week. Everything is so different from how it used to be in the office back in South Paris. I had a good time visiting with Laura Rand and Marcia Hall.

Charlene and Harry Hutchinson are all decked out with Christmas lights. Every year they do a nice job with decorating the outside of

Murrill and Elizabeth Blazier are the Rev. Gordon T. DeHaas, who also decorated very prettily for the just recently retired as pastor of the holidays. Murrill and Elizabeth are both celebrating birthdays this month. Happy birthday to you both.

· I read in the Lewiston Sun that Tricia Hadley, who attends Telstar Regional High School, had been nominated to compete in the National Principal's Leadership Program. Dr. Patrick O'Neill, Telstar principal, announced the nomination. Nominees are selected for leadership skills, participation in service organizations and clubs, academic achievements in arts and sciences and overall academic record. Tricia is an honor student and has the highest average in her class. She plans to attend college in the be in attendance for this event.

fall. She is the daughter of Keith and Darlene Hadley of South

Woodstock. Congratulations. Those making the honor roll this term (that I hadn't put in the paper previously) are: Kevin Gallagher, Caitlin Shimamura, Kara Thurlow and Chea Davis at Telstar; and at OHCHS, Tara Monzo and Eric

Larry Billings, curator of the Woodstock Historical Society, reports that the Society gathers information on the past and shares it with the public. Mr. Billings has given a book called "Hunting the Whitetail Deer" to the museum in memory of Robert Billings. Copies of Arlene MacKillop's drawing of the Society museum are available. Also, the curator has given the Society bound and unbound copies of his book called "Culture." They would make great gifts or simply to have something written by someone locally. Mary Billings has given the Society some photos she

Quote of the Week: "I've learned" that fashion is something that goes out of style as soon as everyone has



Bertha Benoit David A. Benoit Sr. of Limington is proud to announce the engagement of

his mother, Bertha H.W. Benoit of West Paris, to West Paris Baptist Church.

Their wedding will take place on Saturday, Dec. 30, at 1 p.m. at the West Paris Baptist Church, with Pastors Bruce Tyner and Lloyd Waterhouse officiating. Music will be provided by Maurice Veatch, Mary Standard and Dot Canwell.

There will be a reception immediately following at Franklin Grange Hall, Main Street, Bryant Pond, put on by Grangers, relatives, church members and friends.

The bridal couple will reside in West Paris. A wedding trip is planned for next spring.

Guests from several states plan to

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West Paris



Miriam Inman Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ellingwood celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary on Nov. 29. Their

daughter, Joan Young and husband James entertained them at supper. The Historical Society meeting

will be on Monday, Dec. 18, 6:30 p.m., at the home of Ted and Betty Jones for the Christmas Party. There will be a variety of refreshments brought in by members. A gift exchange will also take place the usual way.

Goodwill Fellowship will have their Christmas Party and meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 19, at the home of Nancy Willard in Bryant Pond. Refreshments will be a tasting party with members furnishing

At the Universalist Church, the Christmas potluck supper will be on Sunday, the 17th, followed by singing of carols, and Santa will distribute gifts.

Much sympathy is extended to the James Heath family and relatives during their bereavement. His mother was the former Helen Tamlander from Greenwood City.

"Chicken Fishing" in hunting season? While on an old farm road in Albany, one hunter from our camp near "Hutch" Pond saw a spectacular and unbelievable sight. He even thought his old eyes were playing tricks on him. Right before him near several big rocks were five barnyard hens and a large rooster. After several minutes of observation, he noticed five tame rabbits enjoying their freedom with the barnyard fowl. Hardly believing what he saw, he went back to camp for lunch. He was very reluctant to tell his story. When he finally told the other guys, only one of them was a "believer." The old hunter had a plan and presented it to the younger man. "Cut a fishing pole

about ten feet long and I'll fashion Veterans, Hannah F. Richardson a rope noose at the end of it," he said. No sooner said than done.

Armed with the "fish pole" with noose, the old hunter with the youngster in tow went up the old road. The young fellar handled the "pole" and the oldster coaxed a hen into the loop on the ground. The "fish pole" was raised and a hen was caught and put into a bag. This was repeated until all the hens and the rooster were caught. Next the rabbits were "lassoed" by their foot and put unharmed into a bag. Triumphantly, the oldster and the youngster returned to camp with their "catch." They recounted their story to the other hunters, who were dumbfounded. The fowl and animals were released where they will live like royalty all winter. I have only two questions — Is the season still open for "Chicken Fishing, and what is the legal bag limit?

P.S. We are very fortunate that the old hunter found them. He values the life of God's creatures. We are still wondering what sort of a coldhearted, vicious-minded person could have taken those domestic creatures into the wild to die.

East Stoneham



Eleanor Nelson Hi readers. The weeks roll right along, don't they, and here it is time to write news

again. On Dec. 6th about 20 members of the North Waterford Senior Citizens met at the North Waterford Church for dinner, a meeting and entertainment. There won't be another one until April. Hope everyone has a good winter. We all signed a card to be sent to the Rev. Janice and Everett Wilcox, who are in Massachusetts now. It was a good group and good dinner and nice to be with friends.

Tent 19, met at the home of Joyce Gouin in Norway. A delicious supper of vegetable stew, beef stew, corn chowder, pickles, etc. was served before the meeting. The meeting was opened by the Tent president, Lesley Dean. Heather Shugars served as guide and Eleanor Nelson served as chaplain. Secretary and treasurer's reports were read and accepted after additions were made. The cookie, hot coffee and hot cocoa sales were reported on, which were very good. The Tom Watt products had arrived and were distributed. The Current orders have not come in yet but are expected soon, Nomination of officers was done at this meeting. The

mystery prize. One day this past week "Katie" had a friend visit her. She was Ken Nuy's chocolate lab and they got along real well. They each found an old beef bone and they had a good

next meeting will be held on Jan.

24 at the home of Eleanor Smith at

Waterford Acres. After the meet-

ing, an exchange of gifts was held

around the pretty, lighted Christ-

mas tree. Joyce Gouin won the

time chewing away.
On Dec. 7, Thursday, Pearl and Clifford Walker from Poland called on Albert and me. I used to work with Pearl at Norway Footwear office every day but now we only see each other about once a year. It's good to keep in touch with friends.

This morning, I enjoyed a music tape, which I got, of piano music that Phil House made. Phil used to live in Bryant Pond and now lives in Auburn and has much musical talent. The name of the tape is "Just for You." I think that he has four more different ones and I heard that they are all good. Bessie House from Bryant Pond has some if one wants them.

Dec. 21 is the first day of winter.

Dec. 15, 16 and 17 is the new play "Keewaydin Tar" which will be done at the North Lovell Grange On Wednesday, Dec. 6, 11 mem- Hall. Dennis Barker writes and bers of the Daughters of Union directs these plays and they are always good and entertaining. See

That's it for this week. So you next week.

From the

Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

The annual "Christmas with the Masons" was held Dec. 7 at the Dr. Moses Mason House from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. As usual the interior of the period house museum was decorated as it might have been in the early 19th century with boughs, berries, cones, and fruits, popular in the days of Dr. Moses and Agnes Mason, who lived on this site for more than 50 years. Hot mull eider was served from the hearth of the winter kitchen and special treats were available throughout the house. Harpist Elissa Lufkin provided appropriate music for the season and period. The exhibit hall featured one last opportunity to view the "Scenery of the White Mountains" exhibit while listening to holiday music provided by Virginia Walker. Hostesses for the evening were Judy Haskell, Lorrie Hoeh, Grace McKivergan, Helen Morton, and Persis Post.

Once more the Society, in cooperation with the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce and the Mahoosuc Arts Council, is sponsoring the third annual "New Year's Bethel" with a variety of entertainment offered on the evening of Dec. 31. Sponsors are being sought to offset expenses for the event. Anyone wishing to become a sponsor for a venue or other costs is invited to make a taxdeductible contribution to the Society. Sponsors will be listed on program materials and posted at the various venues. Sponsors to date include: Bethel Animal Hospital,

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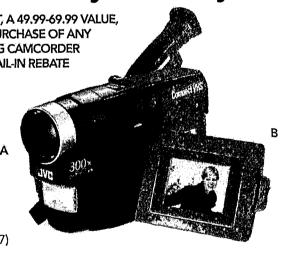
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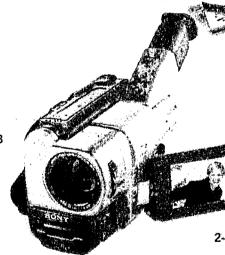
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School Sports

High School Boys' Varsity Basketball

Telstar 63, Mt. Abram 57; Dec. 11—Telstar's Kinsey Durgin scored 19 points, Will Seames 12 and Greg Koch 11 in an overtime win over Mt. Abram. Dan Zinchuk had nine rebounds.

Georges Valley 83, Telstar 80; Dec. 9-Telstar's Wade Osgood scored 25 points, Kinsey Durgin 21 and Paul Cox 12 in a loss to Georges Valley.

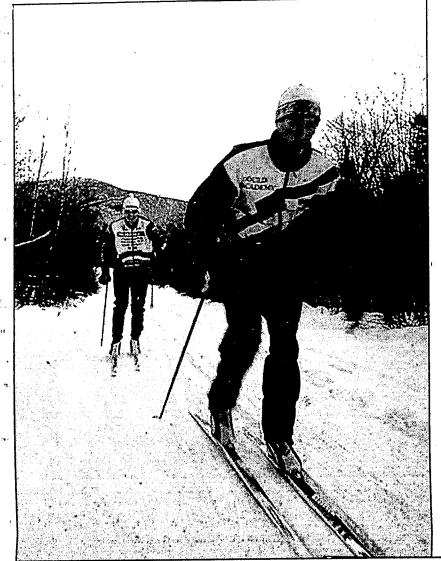
High School Boys' J.V. Basketball

Telstar 71, Mt. Abram 46; Dec. 11—Telstar's Jordi Walker scored 16 points, Matt Newell 15, Eli Young 11 and Kurt Wight eight in a win over Mt. Abram. Newell had 15 rebounds and Scott Withey and Eli Young eight each. "Another well balanced," said coach David Berry.

Telstar 87, Buckfield 56; Dec. 9—Telstar's Matt Newell scored 16 points, Casey Fleet 12, Kurt Wight and Scott Withey 11 each and Joe Gaudreau nine in a win over Buckfield, "Matt Newell led a balanced, high-scoring Telstar attack to pull away from Buckfield in the boys' home opener," said coach David Berry.

High School Girls' Varsity Basketball

Georges Valley 51, Telstar 46; Dec. 9-Telstar's Mariah Seames scored 11 points and Krystle Gould and Katie Wight eight each in a loss to Georges Valley. Rebecca Swan had eight rebounds. "Telstar led the entire way until fouls left the team with only three players to complete the game with 1:30 remaining," said coach Kelly Dole.



AN EARLY START **Gould Academy junior** Kyle Rogers of Manchester gets some early season skiing at Elephant Mountain, where 15 kilometers of track is prepared daily by coach Dick Taylor. Rogers and his teammates have been able to enjoy consistently good daily skiing at two locations since Thanksgiving. Behind Rogers is faculty member and **Continental Cup** points leader David Chamberlain.



AES SOCCER AWARDS—Recent recipients of soccer awards for the Andover Elementary School team were (front, from left): Janelle Lincoln, Esther Pew, Kayla Damon; (middle row) Nicole Hughes, Kassey Gannon, Patrick Milligan, Matt Farrington; (back) Mark Emerson, Brianne Bailey.

SCHOOL LUNCHES: WEEK OF DEC. 18

SAD44 Elementary/Middle/High Breakfast Program

Breakfast for elementary schools and Telstar Regional High School will be choices every day.

SAD44 Telstar Middle/High School Lunch Program Monday: Fish rectangle, french fries, garden peas, assorted fruit juice, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, ham

and cheese roll, teriyaki chicken, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk. Tuesday: Cheeseburger/macaroni, green beans, assorted fruit juice, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, teriyaki

chicken, hamburger/bun, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk. Wednesday: ½ day — Sausage links, one pancake w/syrup, assorted fruit juice, tropical fruit salad, milk Thursday: Vacation. Friday: Vacation.

SAD44 Elementary School Lunch Program

Monday: Fish rectangle, french fries, beef ravioli, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk. Tuesday: Cheeseburger/macaroni, green beans, assorted fruit juice, beef ravioli, p/b/j sandwich, salad

Wednesday: Pizza stix, kernel corn, beef ravioli, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk. Thursday: Vacation. Friday: Vacation.

Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School

Monday: Cheeseburger/bun, mashed potato, salad bar, fruit, milk. Tuesday: Fish sticks, rice, diced carrots, fruit, milk. Wednesday: Taco, tortilla chips, garden fresh veggies, cheese, meat sauce, fruit, milk. Thursday: P/b/j sandwich, corn chips, salad bar, yogurt, fruit, milk. Friday: Pepperoni pizza sticks, french fries, peas, fruit, milk.

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Community Calendar



Events Calendar

Public Computer Access (Fall Schedule): The Adult Learning Center computer lab will be open for public use on Mondays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Thursday, 2:30 to 8:30 p.m. There is a computer at the Telstar Adult Education office that is available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays All lab users must complete a SAD44 Acceptable Use Policy regarding Internet and é-mail use. Note: The Adult Learning Center will be closed Columbus Day and during school vacations.

Donate a turkey to help families in need. Call 824-216 or 824-8534 for pickup, or leave at Bethel Food Pantry (Ethel Bisbee School) Mondays from 1 to 4 p.m. now through Christmas.

Girls' Softball — An opportunity exists in the Dixfield area to enter a team in the 18 and under and/or 16 and under indoor girls' softball league. Any interested players, please call Todd Ferstermacher at 562-0911.

Thursday, Dec. 14 11:30 a.m. — Paris Hill Keen-agers Christmas Fest/monthly meeting at Fellowship Hall of Paris Hill Bible Church, Paris Hill. Special luncheon. For more information, call 743-6695.

Friday, Dec. 15 9 a.m. — Mahoosuc Music Makers Bake Sale at

Bethel Foodliner. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. — Make a mica ornament at Mt. Mann Jewelers, Main Street, Bethel (824-3030)

7:30 p.m. — Yulefest Christmas Concert at Gould Academy (824-7700). 6 p.m. —The annual Hanover Town Meeting will be held at the Hanover Town House at 12 Howard

Pond Road, to 3 p.m. — Book Signing for "She Took To The Woods" by Alice Arlen at Books-N-Things, 85 Main Street, Bethel.

Dec. 15-16-17 Free cross-country skiing at the Bethel Inn & Country Club Nordic center.

Saturday, Dec. 16 4 p.m. — Christmas Cantata, "Near to the Heart of God," a choir from area churches, directed by Beverly Melville, will be held at the Locke Mills Union Church. Refreshments following. Everyone wel-

All day - Demo Day at Sunday River Inn & Cross Country Ski Center. (824-2410)

2 to 4 p.m. - Free wagon rides in Bethel village, sponsored by Megalink, Meet at Bethel Fire Station. 5 to 7 p.m. — Spaghetti Supper hosted by Bethel Boy Scout Troop 565 at West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. Cost: under six, free; 6-12, \$2.50;

over 12, \$5; family of four, \$10. 10 to 12 a.m. — Open House at Linda's Country Flair, West Bethel for all customers.

Sunday, Dec. 17

5 p.m. - Living Nativity on Bethel common. Local people reenact the Christmas story.

Following Living Nativity on Bethel common -Holiday Singers (a community chorus ensemble) will perform at the Bethel Inn Conference Center. For more information, contact Jill Nowak at 824-8721.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. — Pictures with Santa and The Grinch at Rite Aid, Route 2, Bethel. West Paris Universalist Church Christmas potluck

supper, followed by singing of carols. Santa will distribute gifts.

Tuesday, Dec. 19
11:30 a.m. — Christian Women United meeting at Country Way Restaurant, South Paris. Speaker: Goldie Welch of Norway. Music by Teri Toothacker of South Paris. Call Pearl Anderson at 743-5724 if not contacted.

Mollyockett Chapter of Trout Unlimited Holiday Meeting at The River Restaurant, Route 26, West

Paris. 6 to 7 p.m. Social Hour; 7 to 8 p.m. Dinner Hour with light business meeting (limited menu available); 8 p.m. speaker on "Fly Fish America." Members bring a friend or fishing buddy and enjoy the evening. Please contact Gary Bell (583-4290 or e-mail weflyfsh@megalink.net) or Linda Walthers (743-7461 or e-mail wal@megalink.net) for more information or to donate a raffle item.

Goodwill Fellowship Christmas Party will be held at Nancy Willard's home in Bryant Pond.

Wednesday, Dec. 20

The Woodstock Extension will meet at the home of Alice Hoyt,

Saturday, Dec. 23 4 p.m. — The 19th annual Live Nativity will be staged in front of Oxford Advent Christian Church, Route 26, Oxford. Fifty costumed participants, singers, live animals and an inn. Public welcome. Afterward enjoy chowder dinner in church dining hall. No

2 to 4 p.m. —Free wagon rides in Bethel village. Meet at Bethel Fire Station.

River Ride #1 at Sunday River Ski Resort. USASA sanctioned slope style competition open to any skier and snowboarder, Prizes.

6 to 7:30 p.m. — Christmas Caroling on Main Street with the Bethel Alliance Church, Meet at gazebo on Bethel common. All singers welcome. (824-

Sunday, Dec. 24 Starting 10 a.m. - Snowmobile rides with Santa at Sun Valley Sports, Sunday River Road. (824-7533) 7 p.m. — Christmas Eve candlelight service at

Bethel Alliance Church, Route 26. 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. —Christmas Eve services at West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. 7 p.m. readings and carols; 11 p.m. candlelight and communion.

Wednesday, Dec. 27
7 p.m. — Fred Garbo Inflatable Theater Co., sponsored by Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series, will perform at the Grand Ballroom of the Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort. Tickets: adults \$5, children 12 and under \$3, or \$7 and \$5 at the door. For more information, call 824-

Friday, Dec. 29

6 and 8:30 p.m. shows - Maine humorist Tim Sample will be featured at Rawding Studios, Main Street Center for the Arts, Norway. Tickets available at Grass Roots Graphics, Norway, or by calling 743-

Saturday, Dec. 30

7 p.m. - National Marionette Theatre's Sorcerer's Apprentice will perform at the Grand Ballroom of the Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Skiway, sponsored by the Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series. Tickets: adults, \$5; children under 12. \$3 or \$7/\$5 at door. For more information, call 824-

Sunday, Dec. 31
Starting 6 p.m. — Third annual "New Year's Bethel" celebration. Affordable, chemical-free festival. Fireworks. Programs and advance tickets available by calling 824-2908.

Monday, Jan. 1

Community Ski Day for SAD44 residents at Sunday River Ski Resort. New this year, residents will also receive 50 percent discount at cafeterias and restaurants.

1 p.m. — 17th annual "Carter's Last Stand" 5km freestyle race (entry fee \$10), Intervale Road, Bethel. Rossignol Demo Day. Free demos, hats and posters. Call (207) 539-4848 for information. Jan. 6

Carter's Moonlight Yuba Snowshoe Hike, Intervale Road, Bethel. Call (207) 539-4848.



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Exchanges

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Community Service Center-Supplies available for emergencies and disaster relief at Thurlow Hall, Perkins Valley Road, South Woodstock. For aid or information call 674-2663.

Abused Women's Advocacy Project AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806: 24-hour hotline 1-800-559-2927.

Alcohol/Drug Treatment Gateway Recovery Services--Outpatient counseling services available at Bethel Family Health Center, Mondays and Wednesdays. For info. call 207-743-7580.

(State/VA Benefits) Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesday each month, 9 to 12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employ. Sec. Bldg. (364-3718), second and fourth Thursday, 9 to 12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 200 Main St., 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday,

Veterans' Services

Church Services

West Parish Congregational--Rev. Brendon Bass and Rev. Jean Bass, 10:30 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tues., 8 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene-Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school (2 hours, including recreation activities; call 824-4028 for transportation). 10:30 a.m.. morning worship. 6 p.m. evening service, 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 for more info.

Our Lady of the Snows-- Mass--Saturday, 4:30 p.m. 743-2606. Pastor Father Maurice Lebel 743-2606. Bethel Alliance Church-Rev. Richard Mowery, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship service. 6 p.m. evening service. 824-2289.

United Methodist--Rev. Walter Brown, Pastor, 10 a.m. Sunday worship, Rainbow Church School, 3-5 p.m. Thursdays (all ages welcome).

West Bethel Union--Rev. John Williams, 9 a.m. worship, and church school. For info. call 836-2844 or 836-

Pleasant Valley Bible--Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship. 836-2828. Episcopal House Church—Third Sunday each month at the Bohrs' on 38 Chapman Street, at 4 p.m. For more

information, call 824-2913. Church of Christ--at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday, Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends--a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers)--Sunday 9:30 a.m. at 558 E. Bethel Rd. Newcomers welcome. First Day School activities provided for children.

Call Marie Hickey (875-2257) for more info. Worldwide Church of God-10:30 a.m. first third (and fifth) Saturday each month. Services held in the dining hall of the West Parish Congregational Church. Contact: Clayton Sweatt 824-8231.

Woodstock Bryant Pond Baptist--Rev. Peter Laitres, 9:15 a.m. Sunday school. 10:30 a.m. worship service, 6 p.m. evening

service, 665-3133. Unitarian Universalist-Every other Sunday, 10 a.m. (starting Oct. 8)

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist--Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock)— Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

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First Congregational Church-Pastor Jane Rich. 10 a.m. Sunday worship service. Religious education: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m.

Calvary Congregational Church-Summer hours: Morning worship service 9:30 a.m.; Sunday evening Praise Service, 7 p.m.; Wed. night, Bible study and prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Route 5, S. Andover, Rev. Duane Waite, 392-1121.

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Locke Mills Union--Rev. Deborah M. Jenks, 9 a.m. worship and Sunday school.

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East Stoneham Congregational--Rev. Janice Wilcox, 10 a.m. worship in February, April, June, August, October and December. 9 a.m. church school (Oct.-June). Newry

Newry Community Church-Sunday worship service, 9 a.m. Rodney H. Hanscom, pastor. (Services in the church will resume in April)

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Congregational Church - Hunt's Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School; Bible study Tues. 7 p.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study Thursday evenings at Pastor Gammon's home in Woodstock.

Norway/Paris Christian Science Society (9 Stevens St.) -- Sunday

Service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony Service 7:30 p.m. Call 824-4099 for info. Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church-Route 117N.

S. Paris, Pastor Tom Teichmann, Sunday Morning Service 9 a.m. with coffee fellowship immediately after, North Paris Baptist-Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.

North Paris Federated Church-Sunday service, 10:30 a.m. (First Sunday of each month, Singspiration alternating between NPFC and West Paris Baptist). Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers)--Sunday worship 9:30

a.m., Children's program, 9:40 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris. Call 583-2780 for more information. Rumford Point

Rumford Point Church- Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Rev. Deborah Jenks. West Paris

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris--UU Rev. Joy Gasta, 9 a.m. worship (Sept.-r.nid-June), 674-

West Paris Baptist-Sunday Worship 9 a.m., Adult Education and Sunday School 10:15 a.m., Sunday evening worship with Bible reading 6:45 p.m.; 'Vednesday evening prayer meeting and Bible study, 7 p.m. (First Sunday of each month, Singspiration alternating between North Paris Federated and West Paris Baptist).

West Paris Congregational Church—Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m. Sumner

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Library Hours Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and

Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m. -1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5

p.m.; Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 1-8 p.m.; Saturday, 9-1 p.m. Story Hour for preschoolers, Thursday, 10-11 a.m. (September through May). Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tues., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wed., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thurs., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Fri., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m. 674-2004. Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanovers Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.

Upton Library: Saturdays, 9-11 a.m.

Monthly Meetings

First Sunday: Bethel Snow Twisters Club meets at Clayton Crockett's at 7 p.m. September through April, Greenstock Snow Sports Snowmobile Club meets at the Greenwood Town Office at 9 a.m.

Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club meeting at Newry Town Office.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.

Bethel Freedom Group AA meeting, 6 to 7 p.m. ST/BB at Bethel Fire Station.

First Monday: Greenwood Planning Board meets at Town Office, 7 p.m. (Will meet third Monday for several months to work on comprehensive plan only.) First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen

meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m. Newry Fire Department monthly meetings: first Monday, 7 p.m., at Sunday River Station; third Monday, 7 p.m.,

Bear River Station. Second Monday: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m. Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover

Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m. Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30

p.m. Call 824-2185 for place. Gilead Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 Every Monday: Mahoosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church (downstairs).

First Tuesday: Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. at Town Office. Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office. Windy Valley Snowmobile Club meets at Newry Town

Office, 7 p.m. Western Maine Knitters Guild meets at Christ Church,

Norway, 10 a.m. to noon. First and Third Tuesday: The Greater Rumford Alliance for the Mentally Ill-Children and Adolescent Network (GRAMI-CAN) Support, education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from 6:30-

8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diane at 369-0542. The Bethel Lions Club meets at the Frank Gibson home, North Road, Bethel, at 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance FACTS (Family/Friends And Consumers Together for

Support) 6:30-8 p.m. at Ethel Bisbee Adult Learning Center. Contact Rhonda at 824-3076. Greenwood selectmen meet at Town Office, 5 p.m.

Second Tuesday: Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m. Telstar Alumni Association meets at 6:30 p.m. at the

Telstar Library. Ladies' Bible Fellowship, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance

Third Tuesday: Pine Tree Legal Assistance at Bethel Area Health Center, starting at 10 a.m. Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 a.m. Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town office, 7

Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 9 a.m.

Cross-Country Quilters meet at the Bethel Library from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Cub Scout Pack 566 meeting, 6 p.m., at Crescent Park School Cafeteria.

Mollyockett Chorus practice, 6:30-9 p.m. at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Skeetfield Rd., Oxford (Call 824-2468 for info). First Wednesday: Greenwood Historical Society meets

at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7 p.m. Bethel Area Arachnes Spinning Group, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Potluck luncheon. Second Wednesday: Gilead selectmen meet at Town Office, 7 p.m. Tax collector also holds hours.

Friends of the West Paris Library, 6:30 p.m. (new members welcome) First and Third Wednesday: Newry Planning Board,

Town Office, 7 p.m. Second and Fourth Wednesday: Bethel Planning Board meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m. Fourth Wednesday: Daughters of Union Veterans of the

Civil War, H.F. Richardson Tent #19, East Stoneham, K of P Hall, 7 p.m. For more info. call 928-2611. Women's Fellowship, West Parish Congregational Church, Garland Chapel, Bethel, 9:30 a.m. Jefferson Chapter, 89, OES, Bryant Pond, 6:30 p.m.;

refreshments, 7:30 meeting. (Except July and Aug.) Last Wednesday of Sept., Nov., Jan., March and May, Crescent Park School PTA, 6:30-8 p.m. Babysitting provided,

Every Wednesday: TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:45-7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church. First Thursday: United Methodist Women meet at the

Bethel Methodist Church at 1 p.m.

Bethel Historical Society, Dr. Moses Mason House, 7:30 Bethel Recreation Board meeting, 7 p.m. at Town Office. Second Thursday: Board of Directors of Bethel Area

Chamber of Commerce meets at Crescent Park School conference room, 7:30 a.m. Newry Fire Auxiliary meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m. Bethel Lodge #97, AF & AM.

First and Third Thursday: Jackson-Silver Post, Locke Mills, 7 p.m. Fourth Thursday: Bethel Area Poets Society Reading, 7

to 9 p.m. Call 824-3427 for more info. Every Thursday: Andover Water District Board of Directors meets at 7 p.m.

West Paris Board of Selectmen meet at the Town Office, 6:30 p.m. Middle and High School Youth Groups, 6:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

First Friday: The Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Newry home of Norman and Eleanor Davis, 824-2844.

Third Friday: Mt. Abram Lodge, 100F, 7:30 p.m. Every Friday: Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post No. 68, Gore Road, Locke Mills, 6 p.m.

First Saturday: Western Maine Mountain Jeepers meet at 7 p.m. at Bethel Fire Station.

St. Andrews Society meeting, 10 a.m., Harvest House, Lisbon (business meeting with lunch). Second Saturday: Woodstock Historical Society meets at 7 p.m. in historical society museum. Open to public. Last Saturday: Upton Planning Board meets at 9 a.m. at

the Town Office. Seasonal only; Every Saturday: Bethel Farmers' Market, Bethel Area Health Center parking lot, 9 a.m. - 12 noon. Locally grown produce and local goods.

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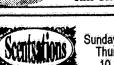
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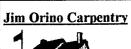


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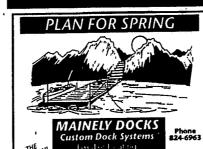
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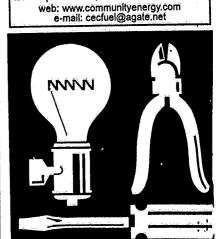
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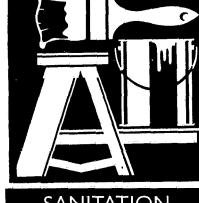
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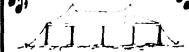
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(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	WWF Smack	kdown!			Frasier	Mad	Spin City	Spin City
(32)	Jack Frost		Movie: "Ang	el of Pennsyl	vania Avenue'	1	Early Edition		700 Club	
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Friends	Cursed	Will-Grace	Just Shoot	ER		News	
3	Fortune	Jeopardyl	Whose?	Whose?	Be a Milliona	ire	Primetime TI	nursday	News	
10	News-Lehre	r	Maine.	Made In	Mystery!		Rumpole of t	he Bailey	To Contrary	Business
(22)	Drill	Drill	Pro Bowl Se	lect.	College Basketball: Xavier at Cincinnati				Sportscenter	
(34)	Martial Law	,	Holiday on lo	е	To Be Annot	To Be Announced *				
Œ	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Snowden's	Garfield	City of Ange	City of Angels Sportsman of the Year				
(41)	New Englan	d Tailgate	Boxing: Figh	loxing: Fight Time			National Spo	rts Report	Sports	Last Word
(15)	"The Karate	Kid" Cont'd	Inside the NF	-[Movie: "Guil	y as Charged	} "	Proof of Life	Sex Bytes	NFL
(17)	Movie: "Pha	ntom of the M	egaplex"	Movie: "Pee	-wee's Big Ad	venture"	Emperors Holidays in Conc			oncert
(18)	Wild West	Movie: "Mes	sage in a Bott	le"	·		Movie: "Mercy"			
(20)	Ballroom Bo	xing	ri		ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews
(44)	Intimate Port	rait	Unsolved My	steries	Movie: "Ran	ge of Motion"			Golden	Golden
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Die I	lard 2"		·		Movie: "Tota	Recall"	
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Spongeb	Pinky	Gilligan	Hilibillies	Facts-Life	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	Three Stoog	es	Movie: "Miste	er Roberts"			Movie: "Al Ca	pone"		
(26)	JAG		Nash Bridges	es Movie: "Firewalker"			•		Martin	Martin
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Live by Request Starring k.d. lang				Law & Order	
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Suddenly	Movie: "Iron	Will"	·		News		In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World*	Election	Larry King Liv	/e	Election 2000)	Spin Room	Moneyline

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(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Freedom	•	Level 9		Frasier	Mad	Spin City	Spin City
(32)	Santa Is Cor	ning to Town	Movie: "Rich	ovie: "Richie Rich's Christmas Wish"		Early Edition		700 Club		
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Providence		Dateline		Law & Order		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Two Guys	Dot	Norm	Madigan	20/20		News	
8	News-Lehrer		Wash. Wk.	Wall St.	Keeping Up	Keeping Up	Time Goes	Served	Great Wall-Y	angtze
(22)	Best of Up C	lose	NHL Hockey						Sportscenter	
(34)	Martial Law		Championsh	ip Rodeo	Rollerjam Motor Madness				Martial Law	
Œ	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Figure Skatir	ng	CSI: Crime S	Scn	Nash Bridges		News	
(41)	Pregame	NBA Basketi	oall: Sacrame	tll: Sacramento Kings at Boston Celtics			National Spo	rts Report	Sports	Last Word
(15)	Inside the NF	EL .	Movie: "Kick	boxer'		Movie: "Univ	ersal Soldier:	The Return"	Real Sex 25	
(17)	Heartbeat	Movie: "The	Paper Brigad	e"	"Mom's Got	a Date With a	Vampire"	MusicVids	Heartbeat	So Weird
(18)	"Beautiful Jo	e" Cont'd	Movie: "Law	s of Deception	n"		Movie: "Entrapment"			
(20)	To Be Annou	unced			ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews
(44)	Intimate Por	trait	Unsolved M	ysteries	Figure Skatin	ng: Cup of Ru	ssia		Once and A	jain
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Spla	ısh"				Movie: "A Le	eague of Their	Own"
(24)	Hey Arnoldi	Rugrats	Runaway Re	eptar	Rugrats	Rugrats	Facts-Life	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	Three Stoog	es	Movie: "Gun	fight at the O.	K. Corral"		Cinema	Movie: "Equi	nox"	
(26)	JAG		Nash Bridge	Bridges Movie: "Kindergarten Cop"						Farmclub
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Competition		Poirot		Law & Order	
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Suddenly	Movie: "Days	of Thunder'			Hawaii Five-0)	in the Heat o	f the Night
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World	Election	Larry King Li	ve	Election 2000)	Spin Room	Moneyline

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(3)	Seinfeld	Spin City	Movie: "A Ve	ry Brady Chr	istmas"		Story of Hop	6	Maximum Exposure	
(32)	Freaks and G	Beeks	Fearing Mind	1	Movie: "Spe	cial Delivery"			Yes, Virginia	1
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Movie: "It's a	Wonderful L	fe"				News	Sat. Night
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	AHL Hockey:	Providence I	Bruins at Porti	and Pirates			News	Pretender
1	Made In	Opinion	Ballykissang	el	Antiques Roa	adshow	National Geo	ographic	Red Green	Robot Wars
(22)	College Basketball: Missouri at Iowa College Basketball: Tulsa at Kansas					Sportscente	r .			
(34)	"Johnny Beli	nda" Cont'd	Backstage	Grand Opry	Gaither Gosp	Gaither Gospel Hour Country Home				Grand Opry
®	Entertainmen	nt Tonight	That's Life	hat's Life Walker, Texas Ranger District				41.	News	
(41)	NBA Action	NBA Baskett	oall: Boston C	eltics at Char	otte Hornets National		National Spo	rts Report	Sports	See This
(15)	Movie: "Star	Trek Generat	ions"		Movie: "Gala	xy Quest"			Shock Video	2001: A Sex
(17)	Heartbeat	Movie: "Leav	e It to Beaver		Movie: "Flash"				Heanbeat	So Weird
(18)	"Braveheart"	Cont'd	Movie: "Mag	num Force"			Movie: "Scre	amers"		
(20)	NHL Hockey:	Carolina Hui	ricanes at Bo	ston Bruins			ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews
(44)	Movie: "Echo	es in the Dar	kness" Cont'd	ļ			Beyond Cha	nce	Strong Medi	cine
(5)	Movie: "Spla	sh" Cont'd	Movie: "A Le	ague of Their	Own"				Movie: "City	Slickers"
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Spongeb	Amanda	Eddie	All That	Facts-Life	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	African Q.	Movie: "El D	orado"	rado"			Movie: "Ski F	arty"		
(26)	Movie: "Mr. E	Basebali"	- C		Movie: "Nece	Movie: "Necessary Roughness"			Silk Stalking	S
(27)	Behind Close	d Doors	Holiday at Popsi Live by Request Sta			lest Starring k				
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Bulls Eye	NBA Baskett	atball: Philadelphia 76ers at Chicago Bulls			News	Bloodfist IV	
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(32)	"The Christn	nas List"	Movie: "Borr	owed Hearts:	A Holiday Ro	mance"	Movie: "The	Christmas Gi		<u> </u>
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0	Anyplace	Anyplace	Nature	- Tiple	Movie: "Los	for Words"		Crown	Mysteryl	
(22)	Sportsetr.	NFL Primeti	me	NFL Footbal	: New York Glants at Dallas Cowboys					Sportsetr.
(34)	Outdoors	Ouldoor	Remington	Hunting	Championsh	ip Bull Riding		Outdoors	NASCAR	Car
Œ	60 Minutes		Touched by	an Angel	Movie: "The Christmas Secret"				News	
(41)	Goin' Deep		Boxing: Stev	e Forbes vs.	David Santos	David Santos Olbermann			Sports	Last Word
(15)	"Prelude to a	Kiss"	Sopranos		Sopranos	and a secondary to se	Curb	Movie: "Disa	ppearing Act	3"
(17)	Heartbeat	Even	Famous	Famous	Movie: "Life	Size"		Famous	Heartbeat	
(18)	Love Child	Movie: "Ren	alssance Man)	district the second	4	Movie: "Contaminated Mar		ıñ"	
(20)	Fan Attic: Se	ton Hall/Villar	nova	tional constraints and the second	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews
(44)	"Texas Justic	ce" Cont'd	Strong Medic	ine	Any Day Nov	V	Any Day Nov	Ÿ	Joe Versus t	he Volcano
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(39)	Worldview	Sports	Worldview	Pinnacle	CNN & Time		People's Plan		Sports Tonig	**************************************

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(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Moesha	Parkers	Hughleys	Girlfriends	Frasier	Mad	Spin City	Spin City
(32)	Annabelle's	Wish	Without San	ta	Providence		Early Edition	,	700 Club	
0	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Titans		Dateline		Third Watch		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	20/20 Down	own	NFL Footbal	l: St. Louis Ra	ams at Tampa	Bay Buccan	eers	
1	Capitol Con	nection	Antiques Ro	adshow	American Ex	perience	P.O.V.		News-Lehre	r
(22)	Drill	Monday Nig	/ Night Countdown Figure Skating: NHK Trophy				ESPNews			
(34)	Martial Law		Martial Law		WWF Raw	WF Raw WWF War Zone			Martial Law	
Œ	Friends	Ent. Tonight	King	Yes, Dear	Raymond	Becker	Family Law		News	
(41)	NBA Basket	oall; Dallas M	avericks at Bo	ston Celtics		Sports	National Spo	rts Report	Sports	Last Word
(15)	"Home Alone	e" Cont'd	Movie: "Anal	yze This"		Movie: "Full	Metal Jacket"			
(17)	Movie: "Hea	vyweights"	•		Movie: "Rea	dy to Run"		Movie: "Alle	y Cats Strike!"	
(18)	Movie: "Wolf	" Cont'd	Movie: "Strik	ing Distance"			Movie: "Caracara"			
(20)	Innerview	McCarver	College Bask	etball: Santa	Clara at Purd	ue	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews
(44)	Intimate Port	rait	Weddings of	a Lifetime	Movie: "Emn	na"			•	Golden
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Silen	t Predators"			Movie: "Slee	pwalkers"		
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Rocket	Sponge	Gilligan	Hillbillies	Facts-Life	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	Three Stooge	es	Hollywood	Movie: "Cam	elot"					
(26)	JAG		Nash Bridges		Maneaters of the Wild		Maneaters of	the Wild	Martin .	Martin
(27)	Law & Order	•	Christianity: T	he Second N	fillennium		Christianity: T	he Second N	/lillennium	: Até.
(12)	Fresh Pr,	Suddenly	Movie: "White	Fang 2: Myt	h of the White	Wolf" (1)	News		In the Heat o	f the Night
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today						M M C PO C M	Moneyline

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(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Movie: "Safe	House"			Frasier	Mad	Spin City	Spin City
(32)	"Christmas E	Every Day"	All-Star Wint	er Celebration	: The Nobel (Concert	Early Edition		700 Club	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Michael	3rd Rock	Frasier	DAG	Dateline		News	
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Be a Milliona	ire	Dharma	Geena	Once and Ag	gain	News	
8	News-Lehrer	•	Scientific-Fro	ntiers_	Nova		Frontline			*
(22)	College Basi	ketball: Jimmy	V Classic 7	ſenn. vs. Va.	Basketball	College Bas	ketball: Mich.	St. vs. Seton	Hall	Sportsctr.
(34)	Martial Law		Merry Christr	nas	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				Martial Law	
B	Friends	Ent. Tonight	JAG		60 Minutes II Judging Amy				News .	
(41)	See This	Football	Boxing: Fight	Time Stev	ve Forbes vs. David Santos National S			rts Report	Sports	Last Word
(15)	"Ghostbuste	rs'' Cont'd	Robert Klein:	Child in His	Movie: "Gala	xy Quest"		Proof of Life	Curb	Substitute 3
(17)	Movie: "Johr	ny Tsunami"		Movie: "Erne	st Saves Chri	stmas"	,	My Date With	n the Preside	nt's Daughter
(18)	"Active Steal	th" Cont'd	Movie: "The	Haunting"			Movie: "Rain Man"			
(20)	NHL Hockey	: Philadelphia	Flyers at Bos	ton Bruins			ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews
(44)	Intimate Port	rait	Unsolved My	steries	Everybody's	Baby: The Re	scue of Jessi	ca McClure	Golden	Golden
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	NBA Baskett	all: Los Ange	les Lakers at	Miami Heat		Insde NBA	Movie: "Glad	liator"
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Pelswick	Thornberrys	Gilligan	Hillbillies	Facts-Life	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.
(25)	Three Stoog	es	Movie: "The	"The Fighting Seabees" Movie: "The Long, Hot			Long, Hot Sur	mmer"		
(26)	JAG		Nash Bridges	Nash Bridges Movie: "Wild Things"					Martin	Martin
(27)	Law & Order		Biography					Reports	Law & Order	
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Suddenly	Movie: "A Ho	bo's Christma	ıs"		News		In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today		Larry King Li	ve	Newsstand		Sports	Moneyline

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(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	7 Days		Star Trek: Vo	oyager	Frasier	Mad	Spin City	Spin City	
(32)	Robbie	Christmas	Santa Is Con	ning to Town	Christmas M	iracles	Early Edition		700 Club		
<u> </u>	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Ed		West Wing		Law & Order		News		
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(22) College Bowl Kickoff NHL Hockey: Dallas Stars at New Jersey Devils Sportscenter					•						
(34)	Martial Law		Holiday on Id					Martial Law			
Œ	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Bette	e Movie: "The Bodyguard"				News			
(41)	NBA Basket	oall: New Jers	sey Nets at Bo	y Nets at Boston Celtics Sports Sports College Bask					ketball: LSU a	t Arizona	
(15)	Movie: "Ano	her Stakeout	11	Playing the Field: Sports					"Disappearin	g Acts"	
(17)	Movie: "Up,	Up and Away	11	Movie: "Quin	ıls"		Movie: "Cool Runnings"				
18)	"Never Been	Kissed"	Movie: "Brok	edown Palace	e''		Movie: "Contaminated Man"				
(20)	Adventure H	awaii	College Bask	etball: Rober	t Morris at Ohi	io State	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	ESPNews	
(44)	Intimate Port	rait	Unsolved My	steries	Movie: "For t	he Love of Na	ancy"		Golden	Golden	
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Ripley's Belie	eve It or Notl	WCW Thund	er			Ripley's Belie	eve It or No	
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Ginger	Rugrats	Gilligan	Hillbillies	Facts-Life	Facts-Life	3's Co.	3's Co.	
(25)	Three Stoog	es	Movie: "Bullit	t''			Movie: "The	King of Come	dy"		
(26)	JAG		Nash Bridges				י"				
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(12)	Fresh Pr.	Suddenly	Movie: "Rear	Movie: "Reach the Rock"		News .				In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today		Larry King Liv	ve .	Newsstand			Moneyline	

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A HEARTY GROUP OF LOGGERS

poses for the camera in the Bethel area at the turn of the century. This photograph is one of thousands that can be found at the Bethel Historical Society, which also possesses an outstanding collection of manuscripts, books, documents, and artifacts relating to western Maine and northern New Hampshire. The society is currently raising funds to establish its Regional History Center on Broad Street and the 1821 O'Neil Robinson House, which now houses exhibit galleries, offices, and the museum shop. Completion of this project will provide for improved storage space and greater access to collections as well as rooms devoted to educational activities, genealogical and historical research, and traditional crafts. Once the center is fully operational it will offer an expanded series of lectures, special events, conferences, courses, seminars, and publications. To learn more about this project, call the society at 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910 or use the e-mail address history@bdc.bethel.me.us or visit the web site http://orion.bdc.bethel.me.us/~history.

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ships is limited and anyone interested should contact the Adult Education office at Telstar, 824-2780, immediately for an application. Course listings for spring are line -available on www.learn.maine.edu or in the brochure available at the Adult Education office.

The following individuals have completed their requirements for receiving their GED this fall: Ben Hoyt of Bryant Pond, Tyson Bailey of Bethel, Joe Marshall of West Paris, Angela Smith of Andover, Tracy Morin of Andover and Casey Mason of Rumford. Nine other individuals are close to completion. The Andover class will start again after the Christmas break on Wednesdays from 6 to 8 p.m. at the

New students are needed in Andover, as all five of the students from the fall term are expected to have completed their requirements by Christmas. Students attending the Learning Center in Bethel may start at any time. Congratulations to all our new GED recipients.

The Winter Term course guide will be mailed shortly after the holidays with courses set to begin in mid-January. The Learning Center will be closed from Dec. 21 to Jan. 2 for all academic and guidance services. The Computer Lab will be open during the vacation most evenings from 6 to 9 p.m.



PUBLIC NOTICE

The Bethel Board of Selectmen are accepting applications for the following volunteer committee openings.

- 1 Three year non pilot position on the Airport Authority
- 1 Two year non pilot position on the Airport Authority
- 1 Three year position on the Appeals Board
- 1 Two year position on the Budget Committee
- 4 Three year positions on the Budget Committee 1 - Three year position on the Conservation Committee
- 1 Three year position on the Planning Board
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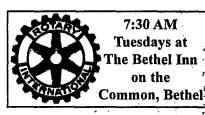
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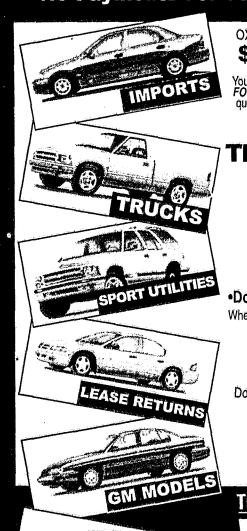
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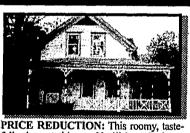
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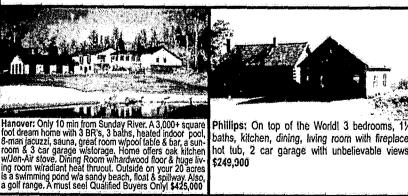
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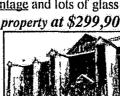
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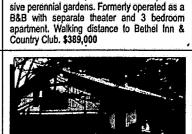
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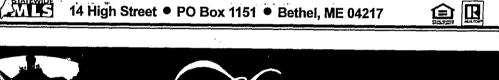
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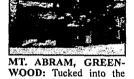
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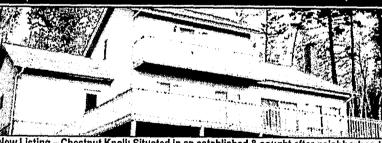
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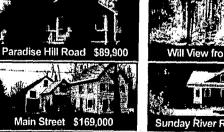


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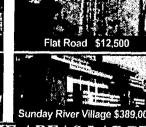
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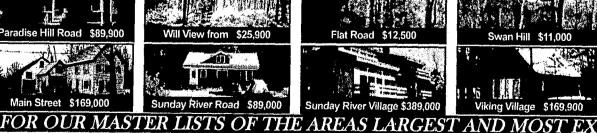
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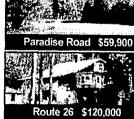


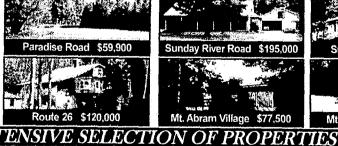


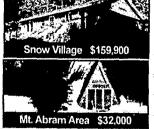
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Obituaries

GERARD D. DESJARDINS

Gerard D. "Peanut" Desjardins, 81, of Auburn, passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2000, at St. Mary's Regional Medical Center, Lewiston, after a short illness.

Born in Auburn on Sept. 2, 1919, the son of Emile and Shirley Myrand Desjardins, he was educated in Auburn schools and graduated from Edward Little High School in 1939, where he excelled in baseball, football and basketball.

Mr. Desjardins joined the U.S. Army in January 1941 and served as an anti-aircraft gun crewman and cook with the 185th Coastal Artillery Battalion in Defense of Portland Harbor for the duration of

He attended Bliss College after leaving the service and co-owned a dental lab affiliated with Dr. Raymond in Lewiston.

On June 25, 1947, Mr. Desjardins married Ruth Macomber of Auburn, who passed away in 1953. On July 17, 1954, he married Martha Giguere of Lewiston.

He was employed by H.P. Hood and Sons for 25 years as a milk route salesman. During the years with Hood, his milk routes included the Lewiston/Auburn area, as well as the Paris, Bryant Pond and Bethel areas. He then worked for the Auburn School Department as a

custodian at the Auburn Central School for many years. He later worked part-time at Shaw's Supermarket.

Although he enjoyed a lifelong interest in many sports, his abiding interest was baseball, both as a player and as a fan. After a notable high school career, he played for an Army team that toured around Maine and New England during the War. After the War he played for the New Auburn Social Club Crusaders, another good ball club that played locally and around the region. For a while, he was player/manager of the Crusaders, and he had been once scouted by the Cleveland Indians. He was a fan of the Boston Red Sox all of his life and he closely followed their ups and downs through the years.

Survivors include his wife of 46 years, Martha Desjardins of Auburn; seven children, Daniel and his wife Esther of Poland, Gerard and his wife Deanna of Auburn, Guy and his wife Charito of San Diego, Calif., Marc and his wife Melanie Ward of Lewiston, Paul of Lewiston, Jeanne of Albuquerque, N.M, and Denise of Laurel, Del.; and four grandchildren. Other family members include Debbie Des-

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jardins of Auburn and Collette Desjardins of Augusta and a brother, Pierre of New Port Rickey, Fla. He was predeceased by two sisters, Christine and Jeannette; and a

brother, Armand. Funeral services were held at St. Philips Church on Monday, Dec. 11, with burial at Gracelawn Memorial Park, Auburn. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the St. Dominic High School Building Fund, c/o Capital Campaign Office, 179 Blake Street, Lewiston, ME 04240.



DOROTHY M. GAMMON

Dorothy M. Gammon, 70, died Thursday, Dec. 7, 2000 peacefully at her home on the Ridge Road, Peru, where she had been a resident for many years, surrounded by her

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She was born in Mexico on Dec. 16, 1929, the daughter of Edwin Annie (Levesque) Longley, and had attended Rumford schools.

Mrs. Gammon was a communicant of St. Athanasius-St. John Church. She loved her home and especially her family and she en-. joved cooking and gardening.

She was married in Mexico on Nov. 28, 1952, to Clifford L. Gammon, who survives of Peru. Other survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Kevin (Rachel) White of Temple, Mrs. Paul (Claire) Thomas of Lewiston, and Mrs. James (Deena) Weston II of Auburn; a son, Clifford Gammon Jr. of Auburn; four sisters, Mrs. Rita Pratt of Mexico, Ms. Jeannette Chenery of Andover; Mrs. Nancy Brackett of Portland, and Mrs. Ray (Gloria) West of Augusta; three brothers, Edwin Longley Jr. of Leeds, Joseph "Billy" Longley of Jay, and James Longley of Lewis-ton; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. She was pre-deceased by a sister, Mra. Annie Drysdale of Mexico.

A Funeral Mass was held at St. Athanasius-St. John Church, Rumford on Monday, Dec. 11. Interment will be in the spring at St. John Cemetery, Rumford. Those who desire, please contribute to the Dorothy Gammon Fund, c/o Clifford Gammon, P.O. Box 133, Peru, ME 04290.

ROXIE A. ROWE

Roxie A. Rowe, 82, of South Paris, died Friday, Dec. 8, 2000 at her home.

She was born in South Paris on Jan. 31, 1918, the daughter of Robert H. and Edna D. Maxim Snow. She attended South Paris schools and graduated from Paris High School in 1936.

In 1939 she married Clyde K. Rowe of Buckfield and they made their home in South Paris. He died in 1986,

Mrs. Rowe was a homemaker and enjoyed sewing, crocheting, playing cards and reading. She'd been active in many local organizations, including PTA.-Mothers' Club, South Paris; Evening Extension, Norway; Paris Fish and Game Club; and was a member of the Thalian Club of South Paris Congregational Church.

Survivors include two sons, C. Kenneth and his wife Francine of Allenstown, N.H., and Roger and his wife Arlie of South Paris; one daughter, Lillian and her husband Roger Conant of Bethel; 11 grandand six greatchildren; grandchildren.

Graveside services were held on Sunday, Dec. 10, at 1 p.m. at Riverside Annex Cemetery, South Paris. In lieu of flowers, those who wish may make memorial gifts in her memory to the Thalian Club of the First Congregational Church, 17 East Main Street, South Paris 04281.

Card of Thanks

To Ledgeview Living Center, Dr. Eshelman, Greenleaf Funeral

Home, Rev. Rust. To our many wonderful friends and family for the cards, phone calls and words of comfort and support. Thank you to Mr. Cole and Mrs. Mason for making the Boston Post

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Pete & Judy Young



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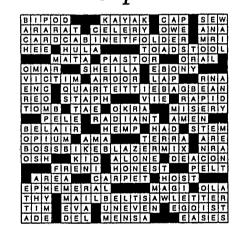
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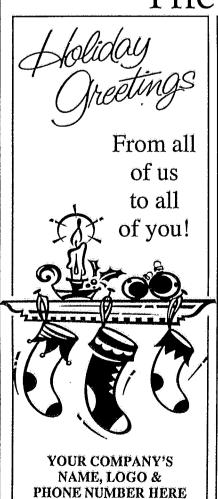
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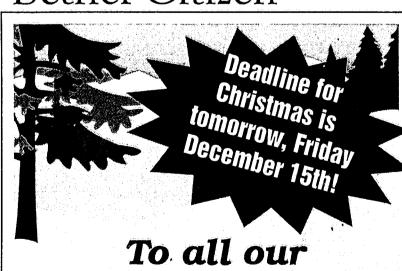
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